



# 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. See schedule  
Thu.: 8:00am Mass  
6:30pm Mass  
Fri.: 8:00am 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](http://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.

March 1 & 2, 2025  
8th Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Ash Wednesday is March 5.**

**Mass Times:**  
8:00am, 10:00am (School Mass), 6:30pm

**Ashes Distribution Only**  
**Noon**

Office Phone

814-237-7832

Office Fax

814-237-6709

Church Website:

[www.ourladyofvictory.com](http://www.ourladyofvictory.com)

Church E-mail:

[office@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto:office@ourladyofvictory.com)

School

814-238-1592

Preschool

814-238-6616

School/Preschool Website

[www.olvcatholicschool.org](http://www.olvcatholicschool.org)

Diocesan Website

[www.ajdiocese.org](http://www.ajdiocese.org)

OLV Prayer Network

[prayer@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto: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 dcfl@ourladyofvictory.com  
Secretary, Betty Gummo  
Secretary, Diane Lapinski  
Director of Development, Chris Kirkpatrick  
Director of OCIA, Deacon David Lapinski  
Director of Music, Joe Malafarina  
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. 16:** Envelopes \$21,028.00; Loose \$2,310.00; School \$188.00; Maintenance \$120.00; Twin Parish Mission \$91.00; Debt Reduction \$157.00; Heat & Utilities \$100.00; SVdP \$581.00; Gabriel Project \$665.00 Candles \$327.00; Total \$25,567.00.

**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.

**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.

**Baptism:** It is With Great Joy we welcome Leo Thomas Muffie, son of Joshua & Kelsey, to the OLV Parish Family.

### **MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE**

**Monday, March 3**

8:00am - † Cletus W. Milan by Peg Janowiak

**Tuesday, March 4**

8:00am - † Frank Chan by Joanne Morrison  
**Adoration ends at 4:00pm**

**Wednesday, March 5 - Ash Wednesday**

8:00am - † Michael Dann by Mary McGuire

10:00am - † Theresa Cusatis by Mike & Barbara Cardamone

12:05pm - ASHES ONLY

6:30pm - † Ernesto & Fanny Matts by Karen Stoner

**Thursday, March 6**

8:00am - † June Hipp by Sandra Berardinelli

6:30pm - † Mary Ann Weakland by Dick & Kathy Anderson

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

**Friday, March 7**

8:00am - † Susan DiLembo by Sandy Rogus

9:00am - NO MASS

**Saturday, March 8**

9:00am - † Nathaniel Salada by Teresa Stone

5:00pm - † Robert J. Davis by The Davis Family

**Sunday, March 9**

7:30am - † Sylvia Ploss by Shirley Hendrick

9:30am - † Lorraine Gallagher by Bob & Mary Hershey

11:30am - † Connie Randolph by Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Berger

## 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 this Thursday, 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](mailto:directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com) or simply attend the 1st meeting March 6th.



## 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](mailto:becomingcatholic@ourladyofvictory.com).



### Living Stations:

Rehearsal dates: March 15, 22, 29 April 4 & 5 from 6:00-9:00pm in the School Gym.

If you have any questions, please email the Living Stations Coordinator Sue Clement at [sueseitzclement@hotmail.com](mailto:sueseitzclement@hotmail.com).



## Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Blessed Madonna #2521



Friday, March 14 - 9:00am - 2:00pm

Saturday, March 15 - 9:00am - 1:00pm.

In the OLV Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall

More than 35 tables of toys, puzzles, games, collectibles, jewelry and puzzles!

Proceeds benefit local charities!



**Give A Gift of Hope:** Shepherds of Bethlehem imports all of their works of reverent art from the finest Christian craftsmen in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. In these challenging times, with ongoing war, it is extremely difficult for the Christian community, which relies on tourism or pilgrimages. Many families are struggling to provide food for their children. Let us be your connection to the Holy Land. We are honored to bless your home and the homes of your loved ones with unique, handmade gifts lovingly carved by our talented craftsmen. Each one-of-a-kind piece will serve as a devout and stunning visual reminder of the presence of God, your relationship to the Lord, and your connection to the Holy Land. Bring Your Gift List. We will display the carvings after the scheduled Masses March 1 & 2. For more information, please visit [www.shepherds-bethlehem.com](http://www.shepherds-bethlehem.com).



**Pierogi & Haluski Sales During Lent: Take out ONLY** - Fridays during Lent (March 7, 14, 21, 28 April 4 & 11, except Good Friday. OLV will be selling Rosie's Pierogies.

Cost: Haluski \$8.00, Pierogies \$12.00 per dozen: options available: *freshly made with butter and onions; frozen plain, frozen jalapeno, or frozen bacon.* Sold in front of OLV Activities Center in a drive thru manner, from 3:00pm to 5:15pm, or until sold out.

This is a great opportunity to earn community service hours. Volunteers of all ages are welcome. Please report at 2:30pm. For more information or questions, please contact Deacon Dave at [dcfl@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto:dcfl@ourladyofvictory.com).



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#### **Masses:**

**8:00am, 10:00am (School Mass), 6:30pm**

**Ashes ONLY Distribution**  
**Noon**



### Stations of the Cross during Lent

**School Stations** 1:20pm (when school is in session) in the Church.

**Stations** 6:00pm in the Church.



## Our Lady of Victory Catholic School

Enrollment Now Open

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

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.olvcatholicschool.org/admission](http://www.olvcatholicschool.org/admission)





A Special Thanks to  
Joe and Sue Rogacs

**OLV Preschool:** Do you have a 3, 4 or 5 year old that is ready for preschool? Registration for OLV parishioners is open. Program, tuition rates and registration information for the 2025-26 school year can be found on the OLVCS website: <https://www.olvcatholicschool.org/>.



**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](mailto:chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com) or 814-237-7832 ext. 404.

## WHY SAINT JOES?

- **Faith-based education** is the basis of our school. Students grow in grace and understanding of God and their moral values.
- **Small class sizes** afford students the attention and individualized opportunities students need.
- **College preparatory** and **community Catholic school** identity ensures there is a place for every student.
- **A wide array of extracurriculars**, including athletics, fine arts, and academic opportunities to encourage growth, challenge, and competition.
- **Our affordability promise** ensures no family will be denied an education based on financial need.



Interested in a stellar Catholic education?

## APPLY NOW!



**Formed.org:** Watch: **How to Lent.** How to Lent is a new series from the Augustine Institute that aims to equip Catholics with the tools to understand and practice the pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Guided by Solenne Santiago and with the help of priests and religious, this series will challenge our preconceived notions about Lent, laying out a roadmap for entering the season with a purpose. Don't let Lent sneak up on you like it did last year. Instead, heed the call of St. John the Baptist by preparing for the Lord, using How to Lent to transform your spiritual life this Lenten season.

To sign up for Formed, go to [Formed.org/signup](https://www.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.

## 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 **Sunday, March 2, 1:15pm-2:30pm** in the Church.



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](mailto: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 - [middleschoolyq@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto:middleschoolyq@ourladyofvictory.com)  
**Francis Baggett** - High School Youth Group leader - [highschoolyq@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto:highschoolyq@ourladyofvictory.com)

**Fasting and Abstinence:** This Wednesday, March 5 is Ash Wednesday when the Church begins the forty day journey toward the Triduum with the annual discipline of fasting, praying and giving alms. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (April 18) are days of fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent (March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11 & 18) are days of abstinence. FASTING refers to only one full meal, with two small meals and no eating otherwise for the day and applies to those 18 to 59. ABSTINENCE refers to not eating meat at all during the day and applies to those 14 and older. The ancient practice of fasting and abstaining can occur throughout other days in Lent. This is not obligatory and can take a variety of forms distinct from food.

## 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](http://dioceseaj.org/spring_priest_presentations) or by mail  
with a form found at each parish in the diocese

Contact [llamagna@dioceseaj.org](mailto: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



**Saturday, March 29: OLV Bus Trip to Spring Priest Presentations at St. Francis University, Loretto, PA and Holy Year Pilgrimage to St. Michael the Archangel Basilica and Tomb of Servant of God Demetrius Gallitzin.**

### **Itinerary For Presentation and Pilgrimage:**

6:30am - Bus onsite at OLV Back Parking Lot  
7:00am - Depart from OLV  
8:30am - Arrive at JFK Student Center, St. Francis University, Loretto, PA  
9:00am to 11:30am - Spring Priest Presentation  
11:45am to 12:45pm - Lunch in Torvian Dining Hall  
12:45pm - Depart for St. Michael the Archangel Basilica and Tomb of Fr. Gallitzin  
2:00pm - Depart for OLV  
3:15pm - Arrive back at OLV

Suggested Donation: \$40/person to cover the bus and registration to the talks. We want all to be able to attend so if the donation is a problem please contact Chris Kirkpatrick. Deadline for Registration Wednesday, March 19. Information and Registration contact Chris Kirkpatrick at [chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto:chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com) or 814-237-7832, ext 421.

Registration forms and envelopes marked BUS TRIP can be found in the Gathering Space.



**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](mailto: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. The sessions are being held on Tuesdays through April 8, from 4:00pm to 6:00pm in the OLV Activities Center. Please check out the information on the website at [www.womenofgrace.com](http://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 [kearney-t1@comcast.net](mailto:kearney-t1@comcast.net) or 814-883-4588 with inquiries. You are a beloved daughter of God. God needs YOU! God loves YOU!!

**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 [olwwp1@gmail.com](mailto:olwwp1@gmail.com) or call Jane Knappenberger at (925) 708-0126.



#### **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. Nine babies have been helped so far this year.

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.

**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](mailto:mmcaleer@4lpi.com).

**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.



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

**“Knights Notes”:**

Calendar of Events: Please check [www.kc4678.com](http://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](http://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](mailto:info@kc4678.com).**

**COME AND SEE!**

On the Web:

K of C webpage: [www.kc4678.com](http://www.kc4678.com)

K of C Facebook: [www.facebook.com/KCCouncil4678](http://www.facebook.com/KCCouncil4678)

**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](http://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.



**You can make a lifesaving difference.**

**Give blood.**

Our Lady of Victory Church  
Activity Center

820 Westerly Parkway, State College PA 16801

March 29, 2025  
9:00am – 2:00pm

Contact information:  
Stephen Nemenz  
(814) 418-0219  
[stephen.nemenz@redcross.org](mailto:stephen.nemenz@redcross.org)



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

**March Madness Sale:**

- All winter outwear & sweaters BOGO Free!

- Brand New LuLaRoe comfort wear now only \$1.00! Get them while they last.

- Check out our new display of pet items for sale.

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.

**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.



**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.