



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: 11/25-11/29

Mon : 8:00am Mass

Tue.: 8:00am Comm. Svc.

Wed.: 8:00am Mass

Thu.: 9:00am Mass
6:30pm No Mass

Fri.: 8:00am Mass
9:00am No Mass

Sat. 9:00am Mass

Confessions—see inside

Adoration of Blessed

Sacrament takes place after
8:00am Mass Tuesday until
4:00pm and Thursday until
8:00pm with Reposition.
No Adoration on Nov. 28
Thanksgiving.

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.

November 23 & 24, 2024
Christ the King



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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.olvcatholicsschool.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

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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. (No confessions on Nov. 28)

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays following 8:00am Mass, with Reposition at 4:00pm and Thursdays, following the 9:00am Mass with Reposition at 8:00pm. (No Adoration on Nov. 28)

Collections: Nov. 17: Bulletin was submitted before the November 17 collection was counted.



Please Remember In Your Prayers

Wanda Gordon and Geraldine Baker, who died recently.

The Marian Gift Shop in the OLV Activities Center is open Sundays from 10:00-11:15am. Stop in for Advent candles, Advent calendars, and gift items. We have free Advent calendars to color for children. Contact Rose Marboe at 814-883-4446 or rose@marboe.com to shop other days by appointment.



Donut Volunteers are needed. We need more volunteers for the donut ministry after 9:30am Mass on Sunday mornings if we want to continue offering donuts every Sunday. People can split the pick up and clean up duties. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

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

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Monday, November 25

**8:00am- † Mary Ann Weakland by
Bob & Kathleen**

Tuesday, November 26

**8:00am - † Betty Tornatore by Fred &
Marie Diserod
*Adoration ends at 4:00pm.***

Wednesday, November 27

**8:00am - † Robert Marciniak by
Bill & Bev Klucher**

Thursday, November 28 Thanksgiving

**9:00am - † Matthew Weakland by
The Family**

Friday, November 29

**8:00am – † Rebecca Leggett by Ken &
Millie Demaree**

Saturday, November 30

**9:00am - † Ron Wills by Mark & Joan
Geleskie**

**5:00pm - † Michalina Warchal by Eve
Stefanko & Barbara Costa**

Sunday, December 1

**7:30am - † Ruth Hauser by The Hauser
Family**

9:30am - † Nancy Faris by Kevin Wilcox

**11:30am - † Robert Joseph Davis by
Joan Curley**

The Rosary is prayed Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday at 8:25am, Thursday & Friday at 7:25am and Saturday, at 8:25am.

Oplatki is available in the Gathering Space of the Church.

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.



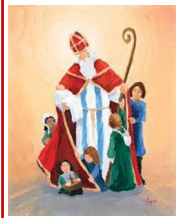
Are You or Someone You Know Interested in Becoming Catholic?

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.



St. Nicholas Party!
Friday, December 6, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm in the OLVCS School Gym!
Open to all parishioners!

*Potluck Dinner
Games for Kids
Opportunity for Service Hours for
Middle and High School students*

Please sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BADAF2FA7FFC52-52995785-olvst>



CDA Holiday Craft & Bake Sale:

Join us for our Holiday Sale
Crafts—Gifts—Baked Goods— Toys!

Friday, December 6, 9:00am to 3:00pm
in the Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall.

Saturday, December 7, 9:00am to 2:00pm in the
Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall.

Sunday, December 8, 8:30am to 1:30pm in the
Activities Center Library only.

Table rentals available for December 6 & 7. Call Joy at 814-360-1801 or Pat at 814-466-6328 or patl4books@msn.com.

Sponsor of the Week: Without advertisements in our bulletins from sponsors like **SK Swift Kennedy Group Employee Benefits & Medicare**, 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.



Parish Giving Tree: You are invited to join fellow parishioners in preparing and helping to hang about 500 tags on the Parish Giving Tree this Sunday, November 24. We will meet in the Gathering Space at 3:00pm and the more who come to help, the sooner we will be finished. Please take a few minutes to help with this important parish project. If you have any questions, call or text Mary Hershey, 814-441-2511.



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.

Formed.org: Watch Our Lord Jesus Christ the King - Year B, with reflections from Dr. Ben Ackers on this feast of the last Sunday of the current Liturgical Year.

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.



Toys for Tots Bins are located at the entrances of the Church. Donate a new, unwrapped toy by Friday, December 13.



Thanksgiving Mass Schedule: Mass on Thursday, November 28 will be at 9:00am only. There is no 6:30pm Mass, nor will there be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament or Confessions.

The Rectory Office will be closed on Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29 for the Thanksgiving holiday.



Prayer for Thanksgiving

Dear Lord, We raise our thanks to You, the giver of every good gift. Thank You for the ways You have blessed, guarded, and guided us this past year and always. Keep us in Your hands, and close to Your heart. Amen.



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.



WHAT IS #iGIVECATHOLIC?

Celebrated annually on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving, Black Friday, and Cyber Monday, #iGiveCatholic is a bishop/diocesan led initiative. The U.S. Catholic Church's Giving Day kicks off the charitable season and brings the Catholic community together to give thanks and give back. As the first-

ever giving day created to celebrate our unique Catholic heritage, #iGiveCatholic inspires faithful stewards to "Give Catholic" on #GivingTuesday, a global day of giving.

The goal of the #iGiveCatholic Giving Day is to rally our Catholic community in support of the organizations that shape our souls: Our parishes, schools, and nonprofit ministries.



Secure, tax-deductible donations to Our Lady of Victory Parish can be made at <https://aj.igivecatholic.org/organizations/our-lady-of-victory-catholic-church-and-school> through #GivingTuesday. Donations can be made through December 3 at 11:59pm.

Offline gifts of cash or checks can be mailed to 820 Westerly Parkway or dropped in the collection baskets. Envelopes will be available in the Gathering Space of the Church. Support our parish and school on Giving Tuesday!



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.



St. Joseph's Catholic Academy High School is accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year. To schedule a tour and find out more about the affordability of tuition, please email Principal Anna Rupprecht at arupprecht@stacademy.org. More information can be found at www.stjoeacad.org.



Both Middle School and High School Youth groups: They will not meet on Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 28.

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

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>. **No classes on Sunday, Dec .1.**

Upcoming Discipleship Opportunity for Grades 9-11

- **Paul J. Kim Retreat, Sunday, Feb. 2.** See details elsewhere in the bulletin.

11th Grade Confirmation Class: Next class is **Sunday, December 8**, 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 Meeting** (student & at least one parent), Session Two - **1/12/25** during CCD time, 10:30am-11:20am.
- **First Reconciliation Retreat** (student & at least one parent) Saturday, January 25, 10:00am—11:30am
- **First Reconciliation: CCD 1/30/25 @ 7:00pm & OLVCS: 1/31/25 @ 9:00am**

Dear CCD Parents: I want to announce a change in staffing here at OLV that affects our CCD program. Ms. Anne Bord has accepted a position as Assistant Principal at our school effective Dec. 1, 2024. To replace her, I have asked Gricelda Cespedes to become the Director. You may know Gricelda as our CCD 2nd grade teacher. I very much appreciate Gricelda accepting this position. All of the communication tools will remain the same. I want to thank Anne Bord for all the hard work and excellence she brought to our program! - Fr. George



Mark your calendars!

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

- **First Talk:** Confirmation is not Graduation from the Catholic Church (in the Church, **students only**), Student Arrival: 4:00pm (at the Church, students only) There will be a dinner for teens only from 5:30pm-6:30pm in the OLV Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall following the first talk.
- **Second Talk:** is open to the public 6:30pm-8:00pm (in the Church - students & any interested adults) - Meant to Live for More

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.



St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store:

November Specials!

- **HUNTERS BLOW OUT SALE!** Be ready for hunting season!!
- Large selection of hunting apparel at discount prices.
- Current Crafts area special: BOGO Scrapbook Sale—buy one, get one free on all scrapbook supplies and pages,
 - Fall is here! Check out our large collection of sweaters and coats!
 - Get ready for Penn State Sports! PSU apparel at discount prices!

Three reasons why you should consider volunteering with the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store!

1. You like fashion and would enjoy sorting through the huge variety of clothing styles donated to the Store.
2. You'll meet the best people—all of our volunteers are friendly, talented, and generous; and
3. You can work towards saving your soul by serving those in need: "Whatever you do to the least of my people, that you do unto Me."

Visit the Store if you need more reasons! 1300 Benner Pike, open Monday—Saturday, 10:00am to 4:00pm. Please note the store will be closed Wednesday, Nov. 27 through Sunday, Dec. 1 for Thanksgiving.



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**, 10:00am and ends with Reposition at 8:00pm. (There is NO Adoration on Thanksgiving) 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



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 5-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. We would like to know how much interest there is in doing this either for Advent or the first of the year. Please check out the information on the website @ www.womenofgrace.com for this and lots of other “free” information to help you on this journey of faith. We DO NOT walk alone. There are many sojourning with you. There is still the Foundational Study which helps you better understand your faith, mass and why we do what we do. 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!! With your help, God will transform the world one woman at a time. Join us and see why God created you ‘For Such a Time as This’. We are looking forward to meeting you.

Sunday Homilies via Cell Phone and Now Online

- Sunday homilies are available on an audio recording via cellphone or online. To receive an audio recording, text a NAME and a 10-digit CELL NUMBER to (717) 504-1091. To listen online, go to www.ourladyofvictory.com and click on Welcome to OLV, then click on Mass and Confession, and click on Sunday Gospel and Homily underneath it.



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

The Church’s calendar may be in the last weeks of ordinary time, but our timely programming and prayers will accompany you during these extraordinary days. With the approach of Thanksgiving, we are grateful for your support - both “one-time” gifts and monthly pledges. We extend a special thanks to the Knights of Columbus, #4678, for their recent fundraiser to subsidize our 2025 music licensing rights and operating expenses. The grand total for the event was \$3,265, which included ticket sales, donations, and a generous year-end contribution from the Knights! On the production side, we are scheduling “pray-ers” for our December slots. Please contact Sheryl Balkey at (814)238-6288 or voiceofdivine-mercy@gmail.com to set up a recording for your family or group. 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 need for all baby laundry products (ALL FREE detergent) as well as a need of newborn clothes (up to 6 months) and newborn (especially baby girl 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.

St. Joseph Icon: There will be an icon of St. Joseph, commissioned by the Knights of Columbus, in the sanctuary this week. With the icon, the Knights intend to increase devotion to St. Joseph and pray through him for the courage to stand for and carry out our mission of protecting, defending, and raising future generations. The 6:30pm Mass readings on Thursday, December 5 will reflect this devotion to St. Joseph. The Knights hope you will join them in this devotion and at the evening Mass on December 5.



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

"Knights Notes" :

Calendar of Events: Please check www.kc4678.com

Council Meetings- Only 2nd Wed. in Nov. & Dec., and 4th Wed. in Jan. 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 Scholarships: Deadline is December 12.

Knights St. Joseph Icon: Friday, Nov. 29-Dec. 6 - be on the lookout for the St. Joseph Icon and a Holy Hour

Knights - Meetings during the Holidays

Meetings during the holidays will ONLY be Dec. 11 & Jan. 22.

Knights - Church Sign/Misprint Jokes: " God didn't create anything without a purpose, but mosquitos come close."

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

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.

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.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship

Program: The Knights of Columbus award scholarships to High School Senior children of Knights of Columbus members. The state program awards \$4000 to a winner in the Diocese. Our local council also offers one \$1000 scholarship to a child or grandchild of a member of the local council 4678. Forms must be completed and returned to Jason Foytack by December 12, 2024. The Knights are also awarding \$1000 grants to children of Knights members in Catholic school grades 1-12. Info. and applications can be found at www.kc4678.com/scholarships, or if you have questions about the scholarship program, please contact Jason Foytack at 814-360-6799 or jasonfoytack@gmail.com.



Free Sale: - Saturday, Nov. 30, 9:00am - 4:00pm. at Our Lady of Victory Activities Center (820 Westerly Pkwy., State College PA). What is a FREE SALE? - it is just like a yard sale except all items are FREE. Items to include many tables of tools, Christmas items, games, toys, videos, camping gear, garden equipment, odds-and-ends, shells and minerals and much more! Free-will donations are accepted and all will go to support St. Rita's School in Cameroon, Africa, a school serving both handicapped and non-handicapped students. (We will also have a sales table.)
For info: Dr. Andrew Sicree, 814-867-6263 or sicree@verizon.net.

The Bellefonte Knights of Columbus Council

#1314 will sponsor a free Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 28, from 11:00am to 2:00pm at 315 Stoney Batter, Bellefonte. For more information, email Doug Moershbacher at dougrugcare@gmail.com or Scott Burkett at rotzues@aol.com.



STATE COLLEGE
FOOD BANK

December 1 is Food Bank Sunday. Food Needs List: **GREATEST NEED:** Canned

fruit (peaches, pears, pineapple, applesauce, pasta sauce and other tomato product (diced, stewed, paste, sauce, etc.), homestyle soups (Progresso, Campbell's CHUNKY, other ready to eat soups), snack items (crackers, cookies, chips/pretzels, granola bars, etc.), cereal & oatmeal, ground coffee and instant coffee, herbal tea, oil (vegetable, canola, olive oil), sugar substitutes (honey, Splenda, Stevia, etc.), condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, BBQ sauce, salad dressing, etc.), Gluten-free items (pasta, flour, baking items, snacks, etc.). Non-food items: laundry detergent, liquid dish soap, liquid hand soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes, bar soap, body wash, assorted personal hygiene supplies, paper products, and cleaning supplies. Checks should be made payable to Food Bank of State College and no opened or expired food products will be accepted.