



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
 9:00am Sch. Mass
Tue.: 8:00am Mass
Wed. 8:00am Mass
Thu.: 8:00am Comm. Svc.
 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.
(See inside for this week).

Rosary:

Tues., Wed. & Sat.: 8:25am,
Mon., Thur. & Fri: 7:25am



First Saturday

Rosary: Seven
Sorrows Rosary

sponsored by CDA after
9:00am Mass

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.

September 6 & 7, 2025
23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time



**OLV Bazaar is Saturday, November 1. We need you to make a
Theme Basket! Please see inside for details!**

Office Phone

Office Fax

Church Website:

Church E-mail:

School

Preschool

School/Preschool Website

Diocesan Website

OLV Prayer Network

814-237-7832

814-237-6709

www.ourladyofvictory.com

office@ourladyofvictory.com

814-238-1592

814-238-6616

www.olvcatholicschool.org

www.ajdiocese.org

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
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Principal, Samantha Weakland - (814) 238-1592
Pre-School Director, Anne Bord - (814) 238-6616

Secretaries' Office Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30 to Noon, 1-4pm.

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 August 24: Envelopes \$18,425.60; Loose \$3,330.00; Online Giving \$3,030.00; Maintenance \$116.00; School \$311.00; Twin Parish Mission \$296.00; Debt Reduction \$38.00; Candles \$333.00; Gabriel Project \$500.00; SVdP \$366.00; Missionary Co-op (Sisters of Holy Rosary) \$540.00; Assumption \$55.00. Total: \$27,340.60.

The Marian Gift Shop in the Activities Center is open Sundays from 10:00am to 11:15am or by appointment. Contact Rose Marboe at 814-883-4446 to shop other days.

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.



Baptisms: It is with great joy we welcome Constantine Moses Librizzi, son of Jacob & Zarela, to the OLV Parish Family.

Due to School Mass at 9:00am on Mondays, the Rosary will be recited at 7:25am.

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Monday, September 8

8:00am - † John Blackwell by Karen Bord
9:00am (School Mass) - † Helen Kostyak by Lillian Belland

Tuesday, September 9

8:00am - † Pat Hawbaker by W. F. Reiber
Adoration ends at 4:00pm

Wednesday, September 10

8:00am - † Pam Johns by The Venturino Family

Thursday, September 11

8:00am - Communion Service
6:30pm - † Kathryn Ozog by Halene Schmadel
Confessions are at 5:30pm
Adoration ends at 8:00pm.

Friday, September 12

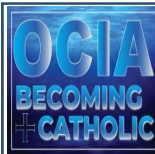
8:00am - † Georgeanna Yahner by Bill & Melissa Yahner

Saturday, September 13

9:00am - † Joan Courtney by Margaret Morella
10:00am - Bishop Mark Holy Hour
5:00pm - † Michael Demaree by The Family

Sunday, September 14

7:30am - † Marty & Dorothy Rini by Kay Machi
9:30am - For All People of Parish
11:30am - † Emil J. Moglia by daughter, Lynn Lasek



Are You or Someone You Know Interested in Becoming Catholic?
Are you an Adult who wishes to complete your Sacraments?

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

If you are interested, please email the Office of Christian Initiation of Adults:
becomingcatholic@ourladyofvictory.com.

Religious Education: Attention rising 9th Graders (including St. Joseph's students and Homeschooled):

-Sunday, September 7, Mandatory Session: Parents/Students—Meet in the **Activities Center** at 6:00pm. This session will “kick-off” the Confirmation process. After introductory remarks, the students will break off into groups and hear a Vocation Talk in the Activities Center. Meanwhile, a Parent Orientation will be presented in the Church. At the orientation, the Smiths will explain “Theology of the Body” and Deacon Dave will explain the Confirmation process.

- Saturday Sept. 13, 10:00am to 11:30am- Holy Hour/Confession w/ Bishop Mark in the Church. Lunch to follow.

See the Religious Education section for more information.

Update: LTJG Darren Balkey (son of Steve & Sheryl) will be reporting to Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek—Fort Story, Virginia Beach, VA for a 3 year assignment.

Welcome Home! Please email us at WelcomeHome@ourladyofvictory.com to let us know if you are seeking to accompany someone in your life (or yourself) on a journey (back) toward the Catholic faith. We have compiled some suggestions for doing this. The link can be found on our website, www.ourladyofvictory.com on the home page.

The Saint Paul's Men's Group was formed in 2003 to offer the men of OLOV (and others) an opportunity to discuss our Catholic faith. It is an informal assembly of men that gather once or twice a month on Saturday mornings, September through May, in the OLV Activities Center. The group discussions include a variety of topics (social issues, current events, matters of faith) and tied to the Catechism and the Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church. We don't have any dues or take roll call; come join us to deepen your understanding of the faith and enjoy the company of our dynamic group. For more information, please contact Pat Beckerle at dBeckerleVA@msn.com.



Come join the State College chapter of the Troops of Saint

George! Troops of Saint George is a collection of fathers and sons seeking to build virtue, honor and fraternity on our way to heaven. The Troops of Saint George apostolate aims to use the outdoors as our canvas and the sacraments as our path to light the way for the formation of Holy Catholic men and boys. Saint George, pray for us! +JMJ+
Contact the troop Captain at: Troop325@tsghq.org
Checkout the troop website at: <https://troopsofsaintgeorge.org/troop/troop-325/>



Adult Catechesis is resuming in September! All are welcome to attend, but we especially encourage CCD parents and high school students who have finished CCD to attend. You can attend as many or as few sessions as you like. This year our lessons will have monthly themes. Our theme for September is Angels and Demons. Our schedule for September is the following:

- Sep 14: Angels
- Sep 21: Demons
- Sep 28: The Rosary and Weapons of Prayer

All meetings take place from 10:35-11:15 (between the 9:30 and 11:30 Masses) on Sundays in the Activities Center Assembly Room.

Please contact Roseanne McManus at RMcManus1@yahoo.com if you have any questions or to get on our email list.



Diocesan Pilgrimage: The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown invites you to the Jubilee celebration Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on Friday, October 17. More information can be found on the Diocesan website www.dioceseaj.org/jubilee-2025. There will be 2 buses leaving from State College Benner Pike Walmart at 6:00am. Cost is \$75 per person. Call St. John the Evangelist, Bellefonte, PA at 814-355-3134 to reserve your spot. Only 100 seats available. Pilgrimage in your bulletins and add: The deadline to reserve a seat (s) and make the payment is September 20.

Queen of Peace Rosary Makers meets Tuesday, Sept. 9 after 8:00am Mass in the Activities Center Library. New members are most welcome! Thus far in 2025 the Rosary Makers made over 2,000 mission rosaries and provided free to OLV, India, Maryland, St Paul's in MI, Cameroon, Blue Army and others. For additional information, please contact Pam Doeblner at 703-896-0071 or Rita Robert at 814-238-2613.



Pancake Breakfast: The Knights of Columbus will hold a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, September 14 from 8am-11am in the Gardiner Social Hall at the OLV Activities Center. Proceeds will help fund; Voice of Divine Mercy Catholic Radio, athletics and scholarships for OLV and the St Joseph Catholic Academy and other Catholic Initiatives. The breakfast includes: pancakes, sausage patties, ham, scrambled eggs, a pastry and drinks. The price is \$15 for Adults and \$5 for Children 10 and under. Presale of tickets will take place in the Gathering Space after each Mass this weekend and September 6/7. Sales at the door may be limited, so purchase early. Donations will be gladly accepted. Please pay by cash or check.



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



OLV Day is almost here! The 2025 Our Lady of Victory Catholic School Walk-A-Thon will be held in conjunction with OLV Day on **October 7th**. This event honors the patroness of OLVCS: Our Blessed Mother Mary, also known as Our Lady of Victory, and the Walk-A-Thon is our school's only all school fundraiser.

Key Details:
Event: 2025 OLVCS Walk-A-Thon
Date: October 7th, 2025
Purpose: Raise needed funds to support preschool, elementary, and middle school programs and activities.

How you can help:
 We are thankful for the generous support of individuals, families, and businesses.
 Please consider making a donation to support this special event.

Donation options:
 Drop off checks/cash at the school or church offices.
 Donate online at www.olvcatholicsschool.org/walkathon.
 Scan the QR code provided to make an online donation.







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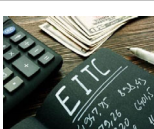
PIAA Schedule-
Flexible Practice Times-
Paid Coaching Positions-
7/8th Grade Teams-

Contact OLVCS Athletic Director
athleticdirector@olvcs.org





Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy High School is accepting applications for the 2025-2026 school year. To schedule a tour and find out more about the affordability of tuition, please visit www.stjoeacad.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: 814-237-7832, ext. 421 or chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com.



Saint Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: End of Summer Specials

- End of Summer Special: All Adult Shorts, Capris, Sleeveless Tops and Bathing Suits for 50% off.
- We have Penn State Apparel available.
- Keep an eye out for Hunting Apparel that will be coming soon.

Are you looking for a fun volunteer opportunity? Consider joining us as a Donation Greeter, Sorter or Cashier. If you are interested in learning more, please stop by the Thrift Store or call 814-867-3131. **Donations** are accepted Monday – Thursday, 10:00am – 3:30pm and Friday and Saturday, 10:00am – 1:00pm ONLY. The Thrift Store is open Monday—Saturday, 10:00am to 4:00pm.

FORMED: Watch The Wild Goose, a 14 part series, truly the work of the Holy Spirit, featuring Fr. Dave Pivonka and various interviews which invite viewers to an encounter, or a renewed encounter, with the Holy Spirit. 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.

Religious Education News

- **The Vocations Talk and Information Session for Confirmation** track students is this weekend, Sunday, September 7th @ 6:00pm in the Activities Center (change of location from the church); A reminder that at least one parent must attend. This is an event for all CCD, SJCA, and Homeschooling students wishing to receive Confirmation this year. We will go over Confirmation requirements, the curriculum for our 9th grade classes, and explore the topic of Vocations.
- CCD classes begin next **Sunday, September 14th at 10:30am**. The first CCD class for Grades 1-8 will be a **Teacher Meet and Greet for students and parents**. Everyone will assemble in the school gym and we will then have opportunities for parents to visit classrooms. **Kindergarteners should be dropped off at the Activities Center**. Please note: The 9th grade CCD class does not meet on 9/14/25 due to the Discipleship event on Saturday 9/13. If you are **homeschooling** CCD this year, please pick up your materials at the homeschool CCD table in the school gym during the first CCD class. A CCD and Sacramental Prep calendar has also been posted on the Religious Education website. <https://re.ourladyofvictory.com/20252026-calendar>
- If you have not yet registered for classes, please use the following link: <http://re.ourladyofvictory.com/>. A late fee of \$50 per student will be charged at this point.
- **A Parent Session for 2nd grade parents (CCD and OLVCS)** will be held on Sunday, September 28, 2025 @ 10:30am. Please meet in the school gym. This meeting will take place while students are in CCD class. Please contact Susan Ishmael at directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com with any questions.
- Additional information for Confirmation: <https://re.ourladyofvictory.com/high-school-religious-educationconfirmation>.
 - **Saturday, September 13th @ 10:30am in the Church**: Adoration with Bishop Mark (including Confessions and followed by lunch; this is a Discipleship Event) Online Retreat (with Sponsors): Sun 9/28, Wed 10/1, Sun 10/5, Wed 10/8, Sun 10/12
 - Students in 10th, 11th, or 12th grade who are not yet confirmed, please contact Susan Ishmael at directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com
 - Confirmation students who are completing service hours are encouraged to complete 1-2 of their service hours by serving at the Parish Bazaar on Saturday, November 1st.
- CCD parents and high students already confirmed can continue their faith formation with **Adult Catechesis classes** that will also be offered Sunday mornings from 10:30-11:20am. Please contact Roseanne McManus at rmcmanus1@yahoo.com for more information.



Middle School and High School Youth groups meets Thursdays at 7:00pm in the OLV Activities Center. For questions, please contact:

High School: Francis Baggett at: highschoolyg@ourladyofvictory.com.

Middle School, please contact Molly Bosak at middleschoolyg@ourladyofvictory.com.

Theme Baskets: As the summer draws to a close we are once again inviting all parishioners and groups to be involved in the yearly OLV Bazaar by making a Theme Basket. We are asking that the baskets be a minimum retail value of \$50.00. Baskets can be dropped off at the rectory office starting the week of October 18. Please put your basket in a clear basket bag with the THEME BASKET TAG on the outside. The Baskets will be on display and tickets will be sold during the **OLV Bazaar on Saturday, November 1**, in the OLV School Gym. Empty baskets to be filled are under the steps in the Church. If you have any large unused baskets, please leave them under the steps in the Church for others to use. If you have any questions, please call Steve or Deb McGregor at (814) 880-8900. THEME BASKET tags are available in the Gathering Space.

Listed are a few ideas for Theme Baskets (See the display for more ideas!):

- Antiques & Collectibles • Baby items • Basket for Men and Women • Basket of Cheer • Bath and Body • Bingo items
- Breakfast Foods • Candles • Car items • Casserole or Crock Pot with cookbook recipes • Chips, Candies, etc.
- Cultural & Ethnic crafts and food from around the world • Date Night Restaurant Gift Cards • Family Game Night with board games, puzzles, popcorn, etc. • Fun Baskets filled with toys for little boys and girls • Gardening accessories • Gift Cards
- Gift wraps for seasons and occasions • Hair & Beauty products • Handmade items (quilts, doilies, blankets, towels, etc.)
- Holiday (Christmas, Easter, etc.) • Hunting and Out Doors Activities • Kids Crafts and Book and Toys • Kitchen and Dining
- Lottery Tickets • Money Gift Baskets • Paper products • Pet Foods & Items • School Theme • Small appliances



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 4:00pm and **Thursdays**, following the 8:00am Mass 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 (especially between 11:00am and noon)! Please call or email the church office at office@ourladyofvictory.com to be added to our adoration schedule as a committed or substitute adorer.



Tune into WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM this fall!

Make room for Catholic radio in your fall schedule. When at home or traveling outside our broadcasting area, you can also "listen live" via the station link @ www.waob.org. On the production side, we are now scheduling "pray-ers" for our slots in October and November. If your family or group would like to pray this fall, please contact Sheryl Balkey at (814)238-6288 or voiceofdivinemeracy@gmail.com. Please 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. We receive no direct funding from the local parishes or diocese, so your faithful support is vital to our evangelization effort.



Think you know all there is to know about Mary? Guess again.

Full of Grace - The WOG Foundational Study, will start in the fall for 9 weeks, dates to be announced soon, **if enough interest, we will hold an evening class, but we need to know ASAP.** Go to www.womenofgrace.com where you will find many free ways to grow your faith on-line or in person with Women of Grace. Please contact Karen Kearney at kearneyt1@comcast.net or 814-883-4588. Join us and learn why *"The hour....has come... the hour in which women acquire in the world an influence, an effect and a power never hitherto achieved. That is why...women impregnated with a spirit of the Gospel can do so much to aid humanity in not falling."* The closing Message "To Women" from the Second Vatican Council.

Crochet meets on the first and third Mondays of the month in the Activities Center Library at 6:30pm.



OLV Music Ministries Fall

Restart!

Now that summer is coming to a close, it's time to start thinking about joining a musical group and "praying twice". St. Augustine is credited with saying "He who sings prays twice". Pope St. John Paul II wrote that at every Mass, the faithful are "to take an active part in the singing". While we at OLV have been getting better at congregational singing, we need to have a more active participation in our music ministries. Some people think that there is an audition for each group. Others believe that they are "not good enough" to join a group. That couldn't be further from the truth. Most groups are "walk in and sing".



The Sanctuary Choir rehearses on Thursdays – starting on September 11 – from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the Music Suite of the Activities Center. All are welcome! Don't worry about your voice – we'll find a place for you in the group!

Victory Bells use bells to "sing" – we have several beginner "ringers" – anyone can learn how to "ring a bell". VB will rehearse on Wednesday, September 10, at 7:00 PM in the Activities Center Music Suite.

Contemporary Ensemble, directed by Mary Weidenhof, is another "walk in" group, rehearsing before the 9:30 AM or 11:30 AM Mass. Give Mary a call at: 814-571-2552.

Spirits of Fire is a youthful group that sings once a month – usually at 5:00 PM Mass. Walk in, and give it a try – even if you are not a "youthful" spirit.

Cantors - If you are interested in becoming a Cantor, please contact Joe.

Instrumentalist - If you play a musical instrument, we can use your talents in one or more of our groups.

Resurrection Choir: If you are available to sing at funerals, then the Resurrection Choir can use your voice. Interested singers form a Choir and add support and comfort to the family of the deceased. Just show up before the next funeral and sit in the pews near the organ and piano.

If you have any questions, call or email Music Director Joe Malafarina at: 814-237-7832, ext. 423 – or email joem@ourladyofvictory.com. You will ALWAYS be welcome!



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: "What kind of car would Jesus drive? A Christler."

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

Catholic Foundation Gala Benefits Catholic Charities:

The Independent Catholic Foundation will celebrate its 35th anniversary on Sunday, September 14 at the Blair County Convention Center. Guests will enjoy a delightful social hour beginning at 4:00pm followed by a gourmet dinner, and award presentations. The Master of Ceremonies will be WTAJ News Anchor, Marty Radovanic. Guest Speaker Jay Paterno will offer reflections on his family's dedication to Penn State Catholic Campus Ministry. Individual tickets are \$65. Business attire preferred. For complete details including ticket purchases and corporate sponsorship opportunities, visit www.icfoundation.us or call (814) 201-2080.



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. Twenty-three moms have been helped since January, including a set of twins born at 31 weeks.

There is a need for baby hygiene products, baby laundry products (ALL FREE detergent), newborn clothes, 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.

A Catholic's Journey Through History at the Columbus Chapel & Boal Mansion Museum on

Sunday, October 5 at 2:00pm. Take a tour of incredible local historical collections, and take in all the Catholic art, family connections in the Columbus Chapel, including two pieces of the True Cross. Deepen your faith and be amazed at the incredible local history with profound Catholic roots. Reservations not required. \$15 per person - children 5 & under FREE. Questions? Email Executive Director Anna Rupprecht at arupprecht@maryu.marywood.edu or call 724-859-5324.

Annual Columbus Day Mass - Join the Boal Mansion Museum and the Knights of Columbus for the annual Columbus Day Mass in the Columbus Chapel in Boalsburg. Mass times are 10:00am & 2:00pm on Monday, October 13. Seats are limited. Reservations can be made by emailing Executive Director Anna Rupprecht at arupprecht@maryu.marywood.edu or text/call 724-859-5324.



Annual Anniversary Masses:

Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of marriage in 2025 (and their families) to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend *Sunday, September 21 in ALTOONA* at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or *Sunday, September 28 in JOHNSTOWN* at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2:00pm. Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/snacks will be available after the Mass for anniversary couples and their families.

The deadline to register for either Mass is Sunday, September 12. Please contact OLV office if you wish to attend.

Pilgrimage to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe December 8–13, 2025

Thank you to those who have already signed up! **Only 4 seats remain**, so there's still time to join. All parishioners and friends are invited to a **3-part Zoom preparation** on Sept 5, 12, and 19, 7–8 PM (link via Flocknote). Topics: *The Aztecs: A People Waiting for Light*, *The Conquest: Sword, Cross, and Conflict*, and *The Apparitions: Heaven Speaks to the Humble*. Prepare your heart and mind for this blessed pilgrimage! For more information, please contact Xhonane at 814-229-6271 or email xolivas@yahoo.com.

For those suffering a hearing loss, there are hearing assist devices available. Check one out of the sacristy (rear of the Church), before Mass.