



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 Comm. Svc.

Wed. 8:00am Mass

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.
(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. All are welcome

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 15 & 16, 2025
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



The OLV Community Gift Giving Program

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 dcl@ourladyofvictory.com
Secretary, Betty Gummo
Secretary, Diane Lapinski
Director of Development, Chris Kirkpatrick
Director of OCIA, Deacon David Lapinski
Director of Religious Education, Susan Ishmael
Director of Music, Joe Malafarina
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 November 9: Envelopes \$19,073.54; Loose \$3,541.00; Online Giving \$4,400.00; Maintenance \$373.00; School \$200.00; Twin Parish Mission \$240.00; Candles \$226.00; Debt Reduction \$183.00; St. Vincent de Paul \$1,110.00; Donuts \$84.00; All Saints \$185.00; All Souls \$281.00; Hurricane Relief \$1,817.00; Archdiocese for Military Services \$2,618.00. Total: \$33,331.54.

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 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.

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Monday, November 17

8:00am - † Lorraine Teyssier by Peggy lerley & John & Gloria Yotka

9:00am - † Nigel Sparks by OLVCS 5th Grade Class

Tuesday, November 18

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

Wednesday, November 19

8:00am - † Walter Zembal by Barbara Zembal & Family

Thursday, November 20

8:00am - † Charlotte Ann Burcin by Deborah Burwell

6:30pm - † Virginia Martin by Marion Gift Shop

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

Friday, November 21

8:00am - † Dick Murray by The Meyer Family

Saturday, November 22

9:00am - † Helen Kostyak by Lillian Belland

5:00pm - † Charles Marhefka by Elaine Marhefka

Sunday, November 23

7:30am - † John B. Bowen by Kay Machi

9:30am - For All People of Parish

11:30am - † Darwin "Shubby" Marquette by Dave & Diane

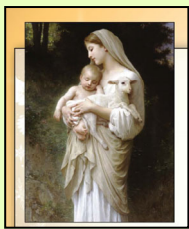
Welcome Home! Please email us at WelcomeHome@ourladyofvictory.com to let us know if you are seeking to accompany someone in your life (or yourself) on a journey (back) toward the Catholic faith. We have compiled some suggestions for doing this. The link can be found on our homepage at www.ourladyofvictory.com.



Our “Parish Giving Tree Program” has been replaced by “The OLV Community Christmas Gift Program”. Requests are available to parishioners this weekend (only a few are left), with return of gifts on November 15 & 16 and 22 & 23. The groups we will help this year will be the same as in the past few years: Out of the Cold Homeless Shelter, Housing Transitions – Centre House, Strawberry Fields, the ARC of Centre County, Families, Embassy at Hearthside, and new to us this year, Stormbreak. All groups have requested only gift cards except for Housing Transitions - Centre House which also requested single use bus cards. Gift cards allow our neighbors to make choices that fit their needs over the Christmas season.

Please look for tables in the Gathering Space that contain gift requests. Fellow parishioners will help you make a gift selection as well as answer any questions that you may have about our new and earlier gift request system. Once you purchase the gift requested on the envelope, please follow the directions on the envelope and return it to the labeled collection bin in the Gathering Space on November 15 & 16 and 22 & 23. If you need to return your sealed envelope during the week, please put it in the slot next to the church office. Your generosity in past years has been overwhelming and heartfelt. I hope and pray that you will once again respond to the needs of so many in our community. May God Bless you for your kindness. Please direct any questions to Mary Hershey, 814-441-2511.

“Keep Christ In Christmas” Christmas Cards: The Knights of Columbus will be selling religious Christmas Cards, and prayer 'bookmarks' after ALL Masses on this weekend, November 15/16. There are 7 styles to choose from. Boxes of 12 cards/envelopes are \$15 each. Bookmarks are \$1 each. The proceeds will support the Knights endeavors for the parish and community.



Bookmark



Baptisms: It is with great joy we welcome Noah George Peacock, son of Andrew & Jade, and Grayson Lane and Palmer Em Colella, children of Nicholas & Aly, to the OLV Parish Family.



Please Remember In Your Prayers
Michael Cox and Edward J. Washell, who died recently.

Early Bulletin Deadlines:

- November 30 bulletin: Items for the November 30 bulletin should reach the church office no later than Thursday, November 20.



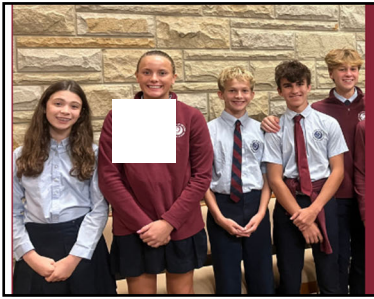
Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Blessed Madonna #2521 will hold their September meeting on Wed., November 19 at 7:00pm in the Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall. Social

begins at 6:30pm. All women are welcome.

Thank you to everyone who dined at The Field Burger and Tap for the CDA Field Gives Back day in October. \$1,052.30 was raised for Holy Name of Mary Academy in Beyin, Ghana.

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. Proceeds from the Gift Shop benefit Religious Education at OLV.

Bible Study Guides Now Available in the Gift Shop: OLV Parishioner Jane Knappenberger has written two Bible study guides to support everyday Catholics who want to get more familiar with the Bible and more comfortable reading it. *Eternally His* is a 20-lesson study with a focus on helping each person recognize and claim his/her true identity as Beloved Creation of the Father in all seasons and circumstances of life. *The Path of Love* is a 22-lesson study that walks through both the scriptural and traditional Stations of the Cross, showing how every step along the way was a part of God's plan, which Christ carried out with great love for us. Both studies have been granted an imprimatur and are now available in the OLV gift shop for \$35 (plus tax) per book.



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 Walk-A-Thon \$5000 + Angelic Benefactor



A SPECIAL THANKS TO
The Vadella Tanner Family



A SPECIAL THANKS TO
Joe and Sue Rogacs

A SPECIAL THANKS TO
Matt and Theresa Heinz Family

OLV Walk-A-Thon \$2500 to \$4999 Seraphim Benefactor










Join us for #iGiveCatholic on #GivingTuesday on December 2! What better way to thank God for His continued blessings than to give back to our community? Did you know that #iGiveCatholic is the first-ever day of Catholic giving in our nation? It's a special day for us to give back and

give thanks to the organizations that shape our souls. Advanced Giving runs from Monday, November 17 – Monday, December 1! You can support Our Lady of Victory with an offline gift of check or cash OR give online at iGiveCatholic.org. All transactions are secure and tax-deductible. Join Catholic communities around the globe to give thanks and give Catholic to the organizations that help shape our souls!





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 Joseph's CATHOLIC ACADEMY

OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, November 18, 2025
6:00 - 8:00PM

www.stjoeacad.org





You are invited to the SJCA Open House on Tuesday, November 18, 6:00 - 8:00pm. Tour the school, meet our new principal, Dr. Geoff Miller, as well as the great faculty. Talk with current SJCA students about what Saint Joseph's is like and how your student can grow in faith, leadership, scholarship and service at Saint Joe's. Questions? Contact us at sjca@sjcacademy.org

Religious Education News

- CCD classes are held each **Sunday morning from 10:30-11:20am**. Students in Grades 1-8 meet in the school gym and high school meets in the school cafeteria. The Kindergarten CGS program meets in the Activities Center.
- A CCD and Sacramental Prep calendar has been posted on the Religious Education website: <https://re.ourladyofvictory.com/20252026-calendar>
- No CCD classes on Sunday, November 30 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.
- New families can contact the DRE, Susan Ishmael, at directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com to register for classes.
- **Confirmation Guidelines and Forms** can be found at the following link:
<https://re.ourladyofvictory.com/high-school-religious-educationconfirmation>.
 - In-person CCD classes on Theology of the Body meet in the school cafeteria from 10:30-11:20am.
 - Sponsor cover sheets and certifications, baptismal certificates, and letters of intent are due December 1.
- Our Youth Ministers will be leading a group of high school students next June 26 - 28, 2026 to the **Steubenville Youth Conference** at Franciscan University in Steubenville, OH. This weekend conference offers students an opportunity to encounter Christ through worship, music, speakers, and other activities. There are still spots available. Registration forms and a \$50 deposit are due to reserve your spot.



Middle School and High School Youth groups meet 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.



Saint Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: November Specials

- The Holiday season is just around the corner. Check out our selection of Sweaters and Apparel. We also have Holiday Décor.

- We have a selection of Leather and Suede Coats at reasonable prices.

- Coming soon—Items for “Special Gift” giving.

We are looking for individuals to join our team of volunteers. From Donation Greeters, Sorters and Cashiers, all positions are needed. Training will be provided. If you are interested in learning more, please call 814-867-3131 or stop by the Thrift Store.

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.



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.

Traveling Chalice and Sacred Heart Statue: There are new sign up sheets in the Gathering Space to sign up for a week of prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life for the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown. You take the statue and chalice home on Saturday/Sunday after your normal Mass time and we ask that you return it by 4:00pm the following Saturday.

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



2025 Catholic Ministries Drive: We have surpassed our goal!! All monies received over our goal will be returned to OLV for OLV's needs. We have received \$201,208.00 towards our goal of \$207,723.00 with 426 families contributing. If you have not yet turned in your pledge envelope, please do so as soon as you can. Please make checks payable to Catholic Ministries Drive. Thank you to Mr. A. Full; M/M M. Hetrick, M/M J. O'Leary, Ms. C. Shetler.



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.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament -

"People who place themselves in front of the sun get a tan, while people who place themselves in front of the Eucharist become saints." - St. Carlo Acutis.

Consider spending some time with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament! Adoration takes place on **Tuesdays** from 8:30am to 4:00pm and **Thursdays** from 8:30am to 8:00pm. You can stop in for a visit or sign up to be a scheduled Adorer (we need coverage for the morning hours, especially from 11:00 AM to Noon). If you cannot commit to being scheduled every week at a specific time, consider volunteering to be a substitute for Adorers who cannot attend their scheduled time. Please contact the Church office at 814-237-7832 or email office@ourladyofvictory.com to be added as a scheduled or substitute adorer.



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 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. Checks 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.

Adult Catechesis takes place from 10:35am-11:15am (between the 9:30am and 11:30am Masses) on Sundays in the Activities Center Assembly Room. All are welcome to attend, but we especially encourage CCD parents and high school students who have finished CCD to join us. You can attend as many or as few sessions as you like. Our upcoming schedule is the following:

- Nov 16: Lectio Divina (Praying with Scripture)
- Nov 23: Advent/Liturgical Calendar Activity
- Nov 30: No meeting

Please contact Roseanne

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



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

The Church's calendar may be in the final weeks of ordinary time, but our timely programming and prayers will accompany you during these extraordinary days. If your family or group would like to record a prayer before Advent, please contact Sheryl Balkey at (814) 238-6288 or voiceofdivinemeracy@gmail.com. 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.



Seven Sisters Apostolate UPDATE:

We need a few more women willing to join our effort to lift up the clergy in our parish and Diocese. We need 5 more women to pray for Deacon Dave:

for one hour, one day a week for 52 weeks of the year.

We desire 7 more to pray for Jamey Darnell who is entering the Deaconate formation also.

Please contact Karen Kearney at 814-883-4588 or kearneyt1@comcast.net or with questions or to join our efforts. Thanks to the 14 women who are being generous with their time and lifting up Fr George and Bishop Mark Bartchak for the next 52 weeks. We don't want to leave Deacon Dave or Jamey alone.



Women of Grace/Young Women of Grace:

We are looking for girls the ages of 13 – 18yrs of age who want to, through their faith navigate this culture we are living in. To learn who they are in God's eyes so they can stand up against who the world tells them they are. For them to learn the truth of who they are and the gift of their femininity. Women of Grace has a Young Women of Grace to help with this. Anyone seeking more information, please contact Karen Kearney at 814-883-4588 or kearneyt1@comcast.net. We would like to have an information session but are looking to see how much interest there is. We have women willing to lead the young girls but what we need are the girls to come and see what it is like.

Select Formed Now: In *How To Advent*, discover rich traditions that mark this season and how they aid us in preparing our hearts for the birth of the child Jesus at Christmas.

To sign up for Formed, go to Formed.org/signup: enter our zip code (16801) and select Our Lady of Victory. The Formed app is available on Apple TV and Roku.



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 do you call the lettering on an invitation to a baby's first sacrament? Baptismal Font."

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

Knights Scholarship Opportunities: 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. The Knights are also awarding \$1000 grants to children of Knights members in Catholic school grades 1-12.

To receive a grant or scholarship application, or if you have questions about the scholarship program, please go to <https://www.kc4678.com/scholarships> and if you do have questions about the Scholarship Program, please contact Jason Foytack at jasonfoytack@gmail.com or (814) 360-6799.

Job Seekers: There are various openings available throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese. Log on to www.dioceseaj.org/careers to see the openings and to apply.

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.

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

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



C.D.A. Holiday Craft & Bake Sale:



**Join us for our Christmas
Crafts and Gifts Sale!**

Friday, December 5, 9:00am to 3:00pm in the Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall & Library

Saturday, December 6, 9:00am to 2:00pm in the Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall & Library

Sunday, December 7 is from 8:30am to 1:30pm in the Activities Center Library only (Limited Crafts/Toys)

**CRAFTS, BAKED GOODS, LOCAL VENDORS
GENTLY USED TOYS, PUZZLES, GAMES,
STUFFED ANIMALS ALSO AVAILABLE.**

Vendors are welcome. Table rentals available for December 5 & 6. Call Joy at 814-360-1801 or Pat at 814-404-4155.

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.

Sponsor of the Week: Without advertisements in our bulletins from sponsors like **RESTORE Eye Care & Eye Gym**, 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 to Poland and Slovakia with Father Jozef and Deacon Jack June 30- July 13, 2026
ONLY A FEW SEATS REMAIN—REGISTER NOW BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!!!

Visit Warsaw, Krakow, Auschwitz, Wadowice, Wieliczka, Czestochowa, Kalwaria, Niepokolanów, Vienna, Bratislava, Brezno, Levoca and Košice with Father Jozef and Deacon Jack as they tour Father Jozef's homeland and hometown in Slovakia.

If you have an interest in joining us, please sign up on our parish website or use the QR code and when final details are available, we will contact you.
<https://www.goodshepherd-sc.org/>

