

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. 8:00am Mass
See inside for
Holy Week Schedule

Confessions—see inside

**Adoration of Blessed
Sacrament** takes place after
8:00am Mass **Tuesday &
Thursdays.** (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.

March 28 & 29, 2026
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



See inside for Holy Week Schedule.

Office Phone

814-237-7832

Office Fax

814-237-6709

Church Website:

www.ourladyofvictory.com

Church E-mail:

office@ourladyofvictory.com

School

814-238-1592

Preschool

814-238-6616

School/Preschool Website

www.olvcatholicschool.org

Diocesan Website

www.ajdiocese.org

OLV Prayer Network

prayer@ourladyofvictory.com

Flocknote: Are you missing out on important announcements from Our Lady of Victory? This is the quickest and most effective way to get up-to-date OLV news to you. If you are not getting flocknote emails, we may not have your email address on record at the Church. To sign up, go to <https://ourladyofvictory10.flocknote.com/OLVParishioner>.

Parish Staff - (814) 237-7832

Pastor, Fr. George Jakopac gjakopac@dioceseaj.org
Deacon David Lapinski dclfl@ourladyofvictory.com
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: Saturdays, 4:00-4:30pm and Thursdays at 5:30pm. (Not Holy Week)

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays and Thursdays following 8:00am Mass, Reposition Tuesday at 4:00pm and Thursday at 6:30pm. (See Holy Week schedule)

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Monday, March 30

8:00am - † Lewis Fuller by Marilyn & Dave Meehan

Tuesday, March 31

8:00am - † Charles Broderick by Karen Bord

Adoration ends at 4:00pm.

Wednesday, April 1

8:00am - † Mary Tranguch by Patrick & Deb Cusatis

6:30pm - Tenebrae, Church

7:30pm - Living Stations, OLV School

Thursday, April 2 Holy Thursday

6:30pm - † Anne Marie Hannon by The Amberson Family

Adoration after Mass until 10:00pm

Friday, April 3 Good Friday

1:00pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

6:30pm - Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 4 Easter Vigil

8:00pm - † Gary Morella by Joe & Sue Rogacs

(Note: There is no 5:00pm Mass)

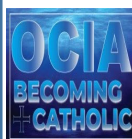
Sunday, April 5 Easter Sunday

7:30am - † Tom Frank by Frank Family

9:30am - For All People of Parish

11:30am - † Bonnie Mulauski by Husband

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



Are You or Someone You Know Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Are you an Adult who wishes to complete your Sacraments?

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

becomingcatholic@ourladyofvictory.com.

March 22 Collection: Envelope \$19,192.44; Loose \$2,730.00; Online Giving \$3,966.83; School \$362.00; Maintenance \$118.00; Twin Parish Mission \$144.00; Debt Reduction \$298.00; Gabriel Project \$1,268.00; SVdP \$33.00; Candles \$352.00; Heat & Utilities \$20.00; Easter Flowers \$540.00; Donuts \$52.00; US Missions \$10.00; Catholic Relief Services \$390.00; Total \$29,476.27.

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.

Baptism: It is with great joy we welcome James Patrick Berzonsky, son of Matthew & Mackenzie, to the OLV Parish Family.

The Marian Gift Shop in the Activities Center is open on Sundays, 10:00am to 11:15am or by appointment. Contact Rose Marboe at 814-883-4446 to shop other days. We have lovely gifts for First Communion and Confirmation. The Gift Shop is closed Easter Sunday. Proceeds from the gift shop benefit Religious Education at OLV.

OLV School seeks new Principal for 2026-27

School Year:

Our beloved principal, Samantha Weakland is planning to retire at the end of this school year. Fr. George is working with Dr. Joann Semko, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, to hire a replacement.

If anyone is interested in applying, you may use the Diocesan Website or use the contact below:

Apply online or submit resumes to:

Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown
Attn: Eric Middleton
2713 W. Chestnut Avenue
Altoona, PA 16601

Alternatively, e-mail resumes to:
emiddleton@dioceseaj.org

Here is a synopsis of the posting for the position:

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School is seeking an enthusiastic Principal to lead our fantastic teaching team for the 2026-2027 school year.

- Applicants must hold a valid Pennsylvania certification and must have applicable education and experience in elementary and leadership.
- All applicants must be able to obtain all state and federal clearances, and must show familiarity with online grading and instruction platforms. Applicants with experience in online instruction and data-driven instruction are preferred.
- All candidates must be supportive of the mission of the Catholic Church and be able to provide for the academic and spiritual health of our students.



2026 HOLY WEEK SERVICES

MONDAY, March 30 Chrism Mass, Cathedral of Blessed Sacrament, Altoona.....11:00am

WEDNESDAY – April 1

Tenebrae (in Church).....6:30pm
Living Stations (OLV School Gym).....7:30pm

TRIDUUM LITURGIES

HOLY THURSDAY– April 2

Mass of the Lord’s Supper.....6:30pm
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
after Mass until 10:00pm

GOOD FRIDAY – April 3

Celebration of The Lord’s Passion.....1:00pm
Stations of the Cross.....6:30pm

HOLY SATURDAY – April 4

Blessing of Easter Food Baskets.....11:30am
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Easter Vigil Mass.....8:00pm
(Note: there is NO 5pm Vigil Mass)

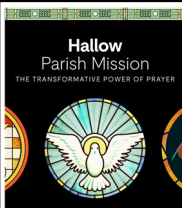
EASTER SUNDAY MASSES – April 5

7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am



Living Stations:

Living Stations will be presented on Saturday, March 28 and Wednesday, April 1 at 7:30pm in the OLV School Gym by the youth of our parish. The performance will take just over an hour. It is a powerful way to prepare for Holy Week. This event is free and open to the public.



O.L.V. + Hallow: New to Hallow?

Visit hallow.com/parish, search for our parish (zip code is fastest), and follow the prompts. You’ll be given a special trial which gives access to all the app’s premium content - if you’d like to forgo and remain on the free version, simply hit “Skip” and you’ll have access to our parish page and the prayer challenge. Issues with app access? Please contact parishsupport@hallow.app.



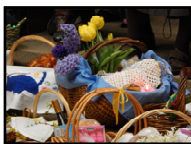
Easter Egg Hunt: Calling all kids

10 and under! We will be having our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4 at noon. The actual Egg Hunt will start at 12:15pm. Join us for cookies, Easter treats, and a special visit from the Easter Bunny! Please bring a basket to collect your eggs. Rain or Shine!



Tenebrae Prayer Service will be

held on Wednesday, April 1 at 6:30pm in the Church. The ancient service of Tenebrae “shadows” grew out of a combination of morning and night prayer with an additional focus on the Passion of the Lord. It’s a service that seeps into your bones and leaves your entire being longing for Easter...longing for the Resurrection...longing for the victory of our Light. Please note: The prayer service will be over in time to attend the Living Stations which will follow in the school gym at 7:30pm.



Easter Food Baskets will be blessed on Saturday, April 4 at 11:30am in the Church Gathering Space.

OLV Walk-A-Thon \$5000 + Angelic Benefactor

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



A SPECIAL THANKS TO
Joe and Sue Rogacs

A SPECIAL THANKS TO
The Vadella Tanner
Family

A SPECIAL THANKS TO
Matt and Theresa
Heinz Family

OLV Preschool is Accepting Applications for the 2026/2027 school year. They are offering a new 2-Day a week class for 3 & 4 year olds who plan on returning to preschool the following year. Tours are available upon request.



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.

Enroll now for 2026-2027

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School

Openings available in PreSchool - 8th Grade



*Empowering Minds, Nurturing Hearts:
Where Faith and Education Thrive!*

Visit us online at www.olvcatholicschool.org
or call (814) 238-1592 for a tour today!

Saint Joseph's CATHOLIC ACADEMY

APPLY NOW FOR FALL 2026

www.stjoeacad.org



Lenten Penance Service

Our Lady of Victory, State College, PA - Sunday, March 29, 6:00pm
Penn State Worship Hall, Pasquerilla Center, PSU - Tuesday, March 31, 6:30pm

Religious Education News

- CCD classes are held each Sunday morning from **10:30am - 11:20am**.
- New families can contact the DRE, Susan Ishmael, at directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com to register for classes.
- There are **no CCD classes on 4/5/26** due to the Easter holiday. Classes resume on 4/12/26. The final CCD class is 5/17/26.
- New Link to the CCD Calendar: <https://ourladyofvictory.com/religious-education/calendar/>
- **First Reconciliation** for our students preparing for First Communion will be held as follows:
 - Sunday, April 19** for Dr. Zazzali's CCD students
 - Friday, April 24** for OLVCS students
 - Sunday, April 26** for Miss Small's/Dr. Puts' class and anyone who missed the previous dates**Homeschool CCD students** can select a date that works best for their families; please let the CCD DRE know which date you select.
- High School students should also be working on completing their service hours (10 total).
- Registration for **Vacation Bible School (VBS)** is now open! VBS will be held **July 27th-31st** from 9am- 12pm in the Activities Center for rising Kindergarteners through rising 5th graders. To sign up your child(ren) or volunteer to help, go to the VBS link on the Religious Education website: <https://ourladyofvictory.com/religious-education/vacation-bible-school/>



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.

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.



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: One of your fellow ministers uses a special display for the Holy Eucharist when reciting the special prayers during a house call. If you think that you would like to use a similar display for your house-call(s), please let us know and you will be notified when your complimentary copy (pyx not included) is available for pickup at the church office. The display is "foldable" for easy compact transport.

Traveling Chalice and Sacred Heart Statue: There are new sign up sheets for 2026 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.



Saint Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: March Specials

- March Madness Blowout—50% off All Winter Coats, Vests, Ski Wear and Sweaters.
- We have a Wonderful Variety of DIY Jewelry Supplies: Beads, Findings, Tools and more.

Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity but have limited time available? Our volunteers help a few hours a month or a week, whatever can work into your schedule. For more information, please call 814-867-3131 or stop by the Thrift Store.

The Thrift Store is open Monday through Saturday, 10:00am - 4:00pm. Donations are accepted Monday through Thursday, 10:00am – 3:30pm and Friday and Saturday, 10:00am – 1:00 pm ONLY.

Note: The Thrift Store will be closed in observance of Easter: Thursday, April 2 through Saturday, April 4. Please hold off donations until they reopen on Monday, April 6.

Sponsor of the Week: Without advertisements in our bulletins from sponsors like **BOALSBURG Apothecary**, 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.



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** 8:30am to 4:00pm and **Thursdays**, 8:30am to 6:30pm. 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.



Enjoy Special programming from WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM during Holy Week & the Easter Octave!

Visit www.waob.org to view the complete schedule or to stream the live broadcast. (Note: There may be extended periods of

sacred silence on Holy Saturday.) Our evangelization effort is sustained by your faithful prayers and contributions. May God continue to bless our listeners and supporters, most especially those in the local OCIA programs who will be received into the fullness of our Catholic faith at the Easter Vigil.

Welcome Home! Please email us at Welcome-Home@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 home page at www.ourladyofvictory.com.

Divine Mercy Sunday is Sunday, April 12.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place from 2:00pm to 6:00pm, with Reposition taking place at 6:00pm. More details to follow in next week's bulletin.



Food Bank Sunday is April 5.

The needs list includes: Snack items (crackers, cookies, chips/pretzels, granola bars, etc.), SPAM, Sloppy Joe Sauce, Sardines, Canned Pineapple, Tomato Sauce, Condiments (ketchup, mustard, Mayo, BBQ sauce, salad dressing, etc.), Coffee (ground, instant, coffee pods), Tea (black, green, herbal), oil (vegetable, canola, olive oil), Gluten-Free items (pasta, flour, baking items, snacks, etc.) Complete needs list can be found at sfood-bank.org. Food items can be placed in the box marked Food Bank in the back of the Church.



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 are 14 mothers due in the next 3 months. There is a need for baby hygiene products, baby laundry products (**Baby 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.



Women of Grace/Young Women of Grace:

Do you want to increase your knowledge of who you are as a child of God? WOG and YWOG can help you to learn who you are in God's eyes so you can stand up against who the world tells you who you are to be. For us to learn the truth of who we are and the gift of our femininity.

We are hoping to start both of these some time this year. Seek the truth and you shall find it. Help the young girls in your life to a great start. Anyone seeking more information please contact Karen Kearney at kearneyt1@comcast.net or 814-883-4588.

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 post-CCD high school students to join us. You can attend as many or as few sessions as you like. **New attendees are always welcome.**

- March 29: Last Things: Heaven
- April 5: Easter Sunday—No Meeting
- April 12: Church History: Church Fathers and Roman Empire
- April 19: Church History: After the Fall of Rome
- April 26: Church History: Schism and Reformation
- May 3: Church History: Controversies
- May 10: No Class (Mother's Day)
- May 17: End of Year Social

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



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: RedCrossBlood.org Enter code

SCKnights. Next Blood Drive at OLV is Tuesday, April 7.

Knights - Church Sign/Misprint Jokes: What group do prospective converts join if they want to be the Pope's spies? O CIA!

Want to be part of the brotherhood? Please ask a

Knights 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



Pancake Breakfast: The Knights of Columbus will hold a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday April 26 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 \$10 for Adults and \$5 for Children 10 and under. Presale of tickets will take place in the Gathering Space after each Mass beginning April 11-12. Sales at the door may be limited, so purchase early. Donations will be gladly accepted. Please pay by cash or check.

Formed: Select Formed Now and choose: Holy Tuesday, a Bible study of Jesus's Prophecy of the End of the Temple and the World. 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.



The 2026 Catholic Ministries Drive. We have received \$105,894.42 towards our goal of \$174,600.00 with 229 families contributing. All monies received over our goal will be returned to OLV for OLV's needs. If you have not yet turned in your pledge envelope, you may mail it to OLV, place it in the collection basket or slide it through the mail slot by the Church office. Please make checks payable to Catholic Ministries Drive. If you gave directly to the Diocese, we will not receive those names until mid-April. Thank you to the following donors:

Mr. P. Baker	Mrs. A. Malinowski	Mrs. K. Sichler
M/M M. Blyzniuk	M/M S. Malizia	Miss M. Slavinkas
Ms. Sandra Craig	M/M P. McDermott	M/M L. Stefanko
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M/M J. Kostyak	M/M R. Rohrbach	
Mr. C. Kowalski	Miss S. Santo	
Mrs. M. MacDonald	Mrs. L. Schneider	



Indoor Sale! Catholic Daughters will sponsor a sale in the OLV Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall on Friday, April 10, 9:00am to 2:00pm and Saturday, April 11, 9:00am to 1:00pm. Over 35 tables will be filled with TOYS, PUZZLES, GAMES, STUFFIES, JEWELRY, PURSES, HOUSEWARES and more!

Knights of Columbus Red Cross Blood

Drive: Enjoy Weis Market pizza and get a Red Cross Life is Good donor t-shirt at our K of C Blood Drive on Tuesday, April 7, from 12:30pm to 6:00 pm in the OLV Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall. Visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter SCKnights to schedule an appointment. Save time by answering pre-donation questions at [RedCrossBlood.org/Rapid Pass](http://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass).



2026 EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS - Donations in memory of loved ones can be made during this Lenten season by filling out the form below and dropping it in the mail slot or the collection basket.

Please print clearly.

Name: _____

Donation: _____

Address: _____

In Memory Of: _____