

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 Comm. Svc.
Wed. 8:00am Mass
Thurs.: 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 &
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 7 & 8, 2026
3rd Sunday of Lent



Bishop Mark Bartchak with the OLV Elect and Candidates for reception into the Catholic Church, their sponsors, and OCIA catechists at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament on March 1.

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
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Director of Development, Chris Kirkpatrick
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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: Saturdays, 4:00-4:30pm and Thursdays at 5:30pm.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays and Thursdays following 8:00am Mass, Reposition Tuesday at 4:00pm and Thursday at 6:30pm.

March 1 Collection: Envelope \$28,403.68; Loose \$2,559.00; Online Giving \$4,071.83; Maintenance \$841.00; School \$356.00; Twin Parish Mission \$398.00; Debt Reduction \$32.00; St. Vincent de Paul \$115.00; Gabriel Project \$2,605.00; Candles \$312.00; Donuts \$75.00; Heat & Utilities \$90.00; U.S. Missions \$66.00; Ash Wednesday (Mandeville Diocese, Jamaica) \$130.00; SJCA Scholarship \$100.00. Total \$40,154.51.

Hospital Stay - Call the Church Office at 237-7832 if you are or will be a patient at Mount Nittany Medical Center and wish the Eucharist brought to you. This facility does not notify us, so you or your family must call the church.

The Marian Gift Shop in the Activities Center is open on Sundays, 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.

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

Rice Bowls and Lenten Word Among Us are available in the Gathering Space.

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Monday, March 9

8:00am - † Lorraine Marie Bagley by Salada Family

Tuesday, March 10

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

Wednesday, March 11

8:00am - † Nancy Kenney by The Kenney Family

Thursday, March 12

8:00am - † Mary Ann Coray by Kay Machi
6:30pm - † S. Frank Fiore by Bob & Mary Hershey

Confessions 5:30pm, Adoration ends at 6:30pm

Friday, March 13

8:00am - † Madeline Barber by Rita & Bob Moser

Saturday, March 14

9:00am - † Patricia Glatz by Karen Kearney
5:00pm - † M. Carole Redmond by Daughter

Sunday, March 15

7:30am - † Matthew Jeremias by Carla Jeremias

9:30am - For All People of Parish

11:30am - † Deborah Shinskie by Carla DeVecchio



Baptism: It is with great joy we welcome Keira Georgia Mae Antolick, daughter of Brock & Tessa, to the OLV Parish Family.



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.](mailto:becomingcatholic@ourladyofvictory.com)

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

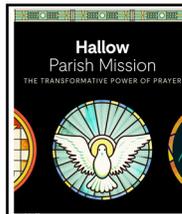
Alternatively, e-mail resumes to:
emiddleton@dioceseaj.org

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.



Awareness of Security: We have all seen recently the security issues that can become concerns for churches. Our ushers, with the help of Terry Stec (school security officer) have been trained and created protocols for handling situations that may cause apprehension. Most of the time, ushers recognize regular parishioners, but we do get visitors. Sometimes students visit and carry backpacks. In general, please try not to bring large bags to church during Mass. Either keep in your car, or if you are transporting supplies for a church event, please try to drop off at a different time. Also, occasionally people film parts of Mass with a phone. Due to the fact of privacy concerns for each congregant, please refrain from doing this and be sensitive to the comfort level of those around you. On occasion, an usher may ask you to move your bag, or stop filming. Please be aware that if this happens it is not a personal insult - We are just trying to keep everyone safe. Thanks for understanding.



O.L.V. + Hallow: Please join us in the new prayer challenge for Lent, called **Lent Pray40: The Return.**

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.



Living Stations:

If you are still interested in participating in the Living Stations, please email Sue Clement, Living Stations

Coordinator at sueseitzclement@hotmail.com.

Rehearsal dates are March 15, 20, & 21 from 5:30-8:30pm in the School Gym. We are still in need of a few cast members and stage crew. We are also in need of a large fake rock (approximately 3 feet tall). Students will earn service hours for participating.



Rosie's Pierogies on Sale During Lent:

Take out ONLY: Fridays during Lent (March 13, 20 & 27). Cost is \$12.00 per dozen. Options available: *Freshly made with butter and onions, frozen plain, frozen jalapeno or frozen bacon.* Sold in front of OLV Activities Center in a drive thru manner, from 3:00pm to 5:15pm or until sold out.

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

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.**

Upcoming schedule:

- March 8 & 15: No Meeting (Spring Break)
- March 22: Last Things: Hell
- March 29: Last Things: Heaven
- April 5: Easter Sunday—No Meeting

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

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.

OLVCS Trivia Night: Thank You, OLV Parish Community: Our Lady of Victory Catholic School extends its sincere gratitude to our parish community for your incredible support of the 2026 OLVCS Trivia Night.

Thank you to all who generously donated, volunteered, and attended. Because of your enthusiasm and support, the event was completely sold out and a tremendous success.

The funds raised will directly benefit our athletics program and school musical, providing meaningful opportunities for our students to grow in teamwork, confidence, creativity, and school spirit. Your generosity makes these experiences possible.

We are deeply grateful for a parish community that so faithfully supports our school and its mission. Thank you for being such an important part of OLVCS.



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.olvcatholicsschool.org
or call (814) 238-1592 for a tour today!

Saint Joseph's CATHOLIC ACADEMY

APPLY NOW FOR FALL 2026

www.stjoeacad.org

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.
- New Link to the CCD Calendar: <https://ourladyofvictory.com/religious-education/calendar/>
- CCD classes (K-9) will meet each week this month. There will be **no CCD class on 3/8/26** due to Spring Break. Classes resume 3/15/26.
- If anyone has any **First Holy Communion clothes** you would like to share with 2nd grade families, please bring them to CCD in the next few weeks or email Susan Ishmael at directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com. Likewise, families that would like to see First Holy Communion clothes available, please see Susan during CCD or email her.
- High School students should also be working on completing their service hours (10 total).
- **SAVE THE DATE for Vacation Bible School**—July 27-July 31. 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 Kindergarten 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: highschoolyq@ourladyofvictory.com.

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

Queen of Peace Rosary Makers meet on the second Tuesday of the month (March 10) after the 8:00am Mass/Service in the Activities Center Library. New members are most welcome! In 2025, the Rosary Makers made over 3,500 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 Doebler at 703-896-0071 or Rita Robert at 814-238-2613.



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.



Saint Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: March Specials

- It's time for March Madness— Winter Coats and vests are available at discounted prices.
- Check out our selection of Penn State Apparel.

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.



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.

Stations of the Cross are prayed on Fridays at 6:00pm in the Church.



Lenten Penance Services

Saint John the Evangelist, Bellefonte - Sunday, March 15, 3:00pm

Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Port Matilda - Tuesday, March 24, 7:00pm

Queen of Archangels, Clarence - Wed., March 25, 6:30pm

Our Lady of Victory, State College, PA - Sunday, March 29, 6:00pm



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.



Tune into WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7

this Lent! The homilies of Bishop Robert Barron and many of his fellow bishops are featured on the "Heralds of Faith" program that airs weekdays at 9:40am and noon.

Allow WAOB's seasonal programming and prayers to accompany you throughout our first Lenten journey with Pope Leo & his shepherds. Tune into either of our two local stations, or visit www.waob.org to stream the live broadcast or download the app. The website is also a valuable source of Catholic content, including daily meditations, the updated Liturgy of the Hours, saint biographies, and an audio archive of vocation stories. If your family/group would like to record a prayer during Lent, contact Sheryl Balkey at (814) 238-6288 or voiceofdivinemercury@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.

Vespers & Benediction: Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 867 Grays Woods Blvd, will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00am to 6:00pm, followed by Vespers & Benediction starting at 6:00pm on Wednesdays during Lent (March 11, 18 & 25). Vespers & Benediction will be presided by Deacons of our Diocese.

March 11: Deacon Jerry Neveling, SS. Peter & Paul, Philipsburg, PA

March 18: Deacon Chuck Williams, Holy Spirit, Lock Haven

March 25: Deacon Tom Boldin, St. John the Evangelist, Bellefonte



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 (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.

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

Select Formed Now! A Lent to Remember, explore the ways God reaches out to each of us with His mercy through Christ's suffering on the Cross.

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: [redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results? ZipSponsor=16801](http://redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?ZipSponsor=16801)) 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 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



Commitment Weekend: The 2026 Catholic Ministries Drive.

Today is Commitment Weekend for the 2026 Catholic Ministries Drive. Your sacrificial gift of prayer and treasure will make an immediate and lasting impact on our ministries that focus on evangelization, serving those in need and formation of our priests and deacons.

During Lent and throughout the year, we are challenging to renew our spiritual devotions and duties—and one of those holy duties is to support our Church. This year's theme, Sent to Serve, reminds us that, by virtue of our baptism, each of us has been Sent to Serve, entrusted with gifts that are meant to be shared for the good of others. Saint Peter teaches us "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10).

If you didn't bring your pledge card to Mass this weekend or have not turned one in, please prayerfully consider making a donation this coming week or in the future. Our diocese's ministries need your support.

All contributions received beyond our parish goal of **\$174,600** will be returned to OLV for our needs. Thank you for supporting the Catholic Ministries Drive and our diocese's vital ministries.

Knights of Columbus #4678: After Masses on March 21/22, members of the Knights of Columbus will be at the exits of the Church to answer any questions you have about the Knights and if you are considering joining the Brotherhood yourself. We look forward to speaking with you.

The State College Choral Society is presenting *Comfort for the Living* on Sunday, March 22 at 3:00pm in the State College Area High School Performance Hall. Repertoire will include *Tragic Overture, Op.81* and *Ein deutsches Requiem, Op. 45* by Johannes Brahms. The Requiem is Brahms' most enduringly popular major work, and the beauty of music and emotion touches our hearts as much today as when it premiered nearly 150 years ago. Come and enjoy this concert, under the baton of Erik Clayton, Artistic Director with soloists Laura Choi Stuart, soprano and Timothy LeFebvre, baritone. Special guests will be State High Master Singers and the State College Choral Society Orchestra. More information as well as tickets are available at www.schoralsociety.org.

JESUS OUR REFUGE	
	MATT FRADD Acclaimed Catholic Author, Speaker, and Podcaster
<p>Let us know you're coming!</p> <p>Free and open to the public</p>	MARCH 16TH 7:00pm Pasquerilla Spiritual Center Worship Hall



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: _____