

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 Comm. Svc.
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 &
Thursdays.**

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
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- Scan QR code



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April 4 & 5, 2026
Easter Sunday



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

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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 29 Collection: The bulletin was submitted before the collection was counted.

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. 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.



Baptisms: It is with great joy we welcome Mae Josephine & Claire Elizabeth Maguire, children of Marcus & Emily; Wallace Anthony Bradley, son of Alfred & Lauren, Angelo Samuel Galimberti, son of Evan & Samantha, and Finn Theo Giannantonio, son of David & Anita, to the OLV Parish Family.

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Monday, April 6
8:00am - Communion Service

Tuesday, April 7
8:00am - Communion Service
Adoration ends at 4:00pm.

Wednesday, April 8
8:00am - † Glen Sokol by The Family

Thursday, April 9
8:00am - † Stanley Womer by Phyllis Holubec
6:30pm - † Gary Hovis by Karen & Tom Kearney
Confessions 5:30pm, Adoration ends at 6:30pm

Friday, April 10
8:00am - Ints. Lionel Bassett by Richard Bassett

Saturday, April 11
9:00am - Ints. Ken & Carol Boland by Mary Beth Regan
5:00pm - † Mary Ann Coray by Kathleen & Bob

Sunday, April 12
7:30am - † Matthew Jeremias by Carla Jeremias
9:30am - For All People of Parish
11:30am - † Jonathan Cofer by The 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.

**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:

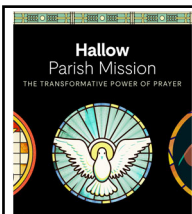
Apply online or submit resumes to:

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.



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.



Please Remember In Your Prayers

Maria A. Sportelli Hager, Sandra Hill and Robert C. Kelly, who died recently.

Rice Bowls: Please remember to turn in you Rice Bowls.

Queen of Peace Rosary Makers meet the second Tuesday of the month (April 14) after the 8:00am Mass in the Activities Center Library. New members are most welcome! For additional information, please contact Pam Doebler at 703-896-0071 or Rita Robert at 814-238-2613.



Divine Mercy Sunday is Sunday.

April 12. Join us for the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be available from 2:00pm to 6:00pm.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited at 3:00pm followed by an ice cream social at the pavilion hosted by our parish's JP11 Married Couple Group. In case of inclement weather, the social will be in the Activities Center. Reposition will take place at 6:00pm.



Indoor Sale!

OLV Activities Center
Gardiner Social Hall



Friday, April 10, 9:00am to 2:00pm
Saturday, April 11, 9:00am to 1:00pm

Over 35 tables will be filled with TOYS, PUZZLES, GAMES, STUFFIES, JEWELRY, PURSES, HOUSEWARES and more!

Sponsored by Catholic Daughters Court Blessed Madonna #2521.



Deacon David Lapinski 30th Ordination

Anniversary: On Saturday, April 18, at the 9:00am Mass, OLV will celebrate Deacon Dave's 30th Anniversary of Ordination to the Diaconate and 30 years of ministry to OLV as Deacon. Following Mass, a reception will be held in the OLV Gardiner Social Hall in the Activities Center. All are invited to attend.



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, please contact Chris Kirkpatrick: 814-237-7832, ext. 421 or chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com.

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.

Enroll now for 2026-2027
Our Lady of Victory Catholic School
Openings available in PreSchool - 8th Grade



*Empowering Minds, Nurturing Hearts:
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Visit us online at www.olv Catholicschool.org
or call (814) 238-1592 for a tour today!

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go into the Prize Pool. Prize Pool will be determined by
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www.stjoeacad.org

SATURDAY
APRIL 11,
2026

07:00-??PM
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00

ST. JOE'S CATHOLIC ACADEMY
901 BOALSBURG PIKE,
BOALSBURG, PA 16827



OLV VOLLEYBALL
CAMP

Girls Entering Grades 5 - 7

JUNE 15-19, 2026
9:15 - 11:45 AM

\$125 if registered by May 15th

NEW LOCATION

Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy
901 Boalsburg Pike, Boalsburg



Registration link www.olv Catholicschool.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.
- 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: Spring Specials

- April Showers are here! Check out our selection of raincoats!
- March Madness Madness Blowout Continues—All Winter Coats for only \$5, Vests, Ski Wear and Sweaters are 50% off.
- Graduation caps and gowns are now available.
- Check out our display of prom gowns, wedding dresses and men's suits!
- We have a 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.

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



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.



WJVM 90.3-FM celebrates its 12th Anniversary on Divine Mercy Sunday!

As we prepare to celebrate our apostolate's feast day, may we be united in the praying of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. This devotion reminds us to seek

our Lord's mercy, trust in His mercy, and witness to His mercy. Thank you for sharing in our spiritual work of mercy.

Our evangelization effort is sustained by your faithful prayers and contributions. It costs just \$100/day to keep our Catholic voice broadcasting. Donations may be mailed to: Voice of Divine Mercy, PO Box 862, State College, PA 16804-0862. May God bless our listeners and supporters, and most especially those who were received into the Church at the Easter Vigil!

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.**

Schedule:

- 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.



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. Come, learn the truth of who we are and the gift of our femininity.

We are hoping to start both of these groups 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.

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.

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



**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? OCIA!

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



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, pastries 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.

Choose Formed Now: Divine Mercy: Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Ben Ackers as they discuss the upcoming feast of Divine Mercy. 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.

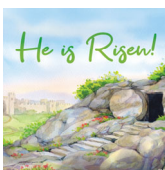
The Faith Center@PSU in State College, PA is currently seeking applicants for a part-time Administrative Assistant. If you or someone you know may be interested in working in a faith-filled environment, please visit <https://humanresources.dioceseaj.org> or contact Human Resources at 814-695-5579.



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. Due to early bulletin submission, the names of this week's donors are not listed.

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/RapidPass.



April 5, 2026 – Easter Sunday

The great feast of Easter has begun, Christian stewards. Let us rejoice and be glad! Just as we embraced the disciplines and fasting of Lent, let us fully embrace the joy and feasting that the next 50 days offer. We are called to be good stewards of the Easter season.

Our first reading, from Acts, gives instructions on how to do this. Here, St Peter says that our Lord "commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead... that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name." How do we ordinary people preach and testify to all God has done? By the way we live our ordinary lives – through the intentional use of our time, talent and treasure for the kingdom of God. Putting God and others ahead of ourselves in every aspect of our lives is the most eloquent preaching we can do. Boldly and joyfully embracing a stewardship way of life is our most powerful testimony.

As Christian stewards, we are the modern-day witnesses of an incredible miracle prompted by unfathomable love – the death and Resurrection of our Savior for us. Let us rejoice and be glad, and let's make sure our lives are a testimony to this amazing grace!