



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

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.

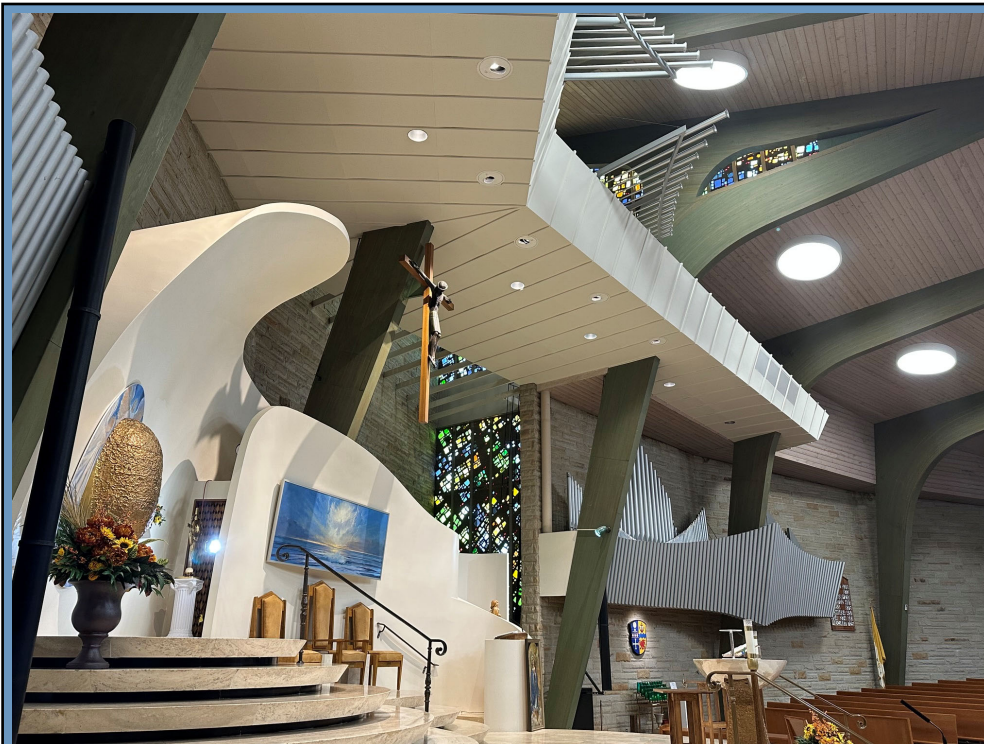
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which you can download on
your smartphone.

- Scan QR code



You are now
able to give to
School,
Maintenance,
Twin Parish
Mission, Debt
Reduction,
Christmas & Easter online.

July 25 & 26, 2026
17th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Did you know the eye of God is watching you?

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
Fr. Ralph Mensah skidoralph@gmail.com
Deacon David Lapinski dclfl@ourladyofvictory.com
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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, Anne Bord - (814) 238-1592
Pre-School Director (see Principal) - (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.

July 19 Collection: Envelope \$20,602.00; Loose \$2,225.00; Online Giving \$3,005.00; Maintenance \$80.00; School \$1,172.00; Twin Parish \$70.00; Candles \$260.00; Donuts \$36.00; Debt Reduction \$61.00; Holy Water Bottles \$48.00. Total \$27,559.00.

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?

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

becomingcatholic@ourladyofvictory.com.

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Monday, July 27

8:00am - † Charles Broderick by Joanne & Dave Brady

10:00am (Mass at Foxdale) - † Kevin Joseph Curley by Foxdale Community Ministry

Tuesday, July 28

8:00am - † Jackie Jakob by Phyllis Holubec
Adoration ends at 4:00pm.

Wednesday, July 29

8:00am - † Tom Briggs by The Briggs Family

Thursday, July 30

8:00am - † Richard Pesce by Ann & Frank Menotti

6:30pm - † Leo Robert by Anna Mae Mentzer
Confessions 5:30pm, Adoration ends at 6:30pm.

Friday, July 31

8:00am - Ints. Joanne Morrison by Maria Meyer

9:00am - VBS Mass

Saturday, August 1

9:00am - † Tony & Mary Kibelbek by Anthony & Julie Kibelbek

5:00pm - † Peter Labosky by The Family

Sunday, August 2

7:30am - Ints. Tim Scannell by Barb Impellitteri

9:30am - For All People of Parish

11:30am - † Len Vender by Mr. & Mrs. Rick Schouten

The Marian Gift Shop in the Activities Center is closed for July for inventory. If you need to shop, please contact Rose Marboe at 814-883-4446 to set up an appointment.



Baptisms: It is with great joy we welcome Cillian Sean Mellett, son of Patrick & Chelsea, and Eleon Jacoby Ray, son of Jacob & Katherine to the OLV Parish Family.



OLV Parish Picnic:

Sunday, August 16 - 4pm to 7pm at OLV School Gym and Grounds

You bring: yourselves, lawn chairs, picnic blanket (if you wish to sit outdoors) and a dish according to your last name:

A-N: Dessert

O-Z: Side Dish (like salads, fresh or cooked veggies, chips, dips, cheese, mac & cheese, etc...)

However, If you have a specialty that you enjoy making for picnics, please feel free to bring it and share what you love to make with your fellow parishioners! Please use a disposable serving dish and serving utensil.

Hot dogs, sloppy joes, pulled pork BBQ, water, soft drinks and tableware will be provided by the parish.

If you would like to volunteer in any way to help with the picnic (setting up, cooking, shopping, games, music or other entertainment, cleaning up) please call Chris Kirkpatrick at the OLV office, (814-237-7832), ext. 421.

Schedule of Activities: Hot Food available from 4pm to 5:30pm; Bingo 6:00pm; Organized Games (outside) 5:00pm.



Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown

Office of the Bishop

2713 W Chestnut Avenue

Altoona, PA 16601

Phone: 814-695-5579

www.dioceseaj.org

Dear Friends,

As you may know, our vocation office has increased efforts over the past year to reach young men and invite them to consider the priesthood. Our Called by Name initiative resulted in 422 nominations. Thanks be to God, we now have three new seminary applicants for Fall 2026, which would bring our total to four seminarians for our diocese.

As we continue to increase the number of seminarians for our diocese, the cost of their formation also grows. While this is a wonderful blessing and a "good problem to have," we need additional support to fund their education and care. It costs approximately \$65,000 per year for each seminarian, which covers their tuition, room and board, and health insurance.

With that in mind, I am humbly asking for your prayers and financial support for the upcoming **Fishers of Men Vocation Appeal**, which will take place in all parishes on the weekend of **August 1-2**.

The funds raised through this appeal will directly support our men in formation and ensure we can continue actively accompanying those discerning a priestly vocation here in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown.

Many of you will be receiving information in the mail about this appeal, and everyone will hear more about it next weekend at Mass.

Thank you for your steadfast faith, your generosity, and your enduring commitment to building a culture of vocations across our diocese. Please continue to pray for our seminarians and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Mark J. Buteleak

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

After-School Activity Program Aides Needed: Our Lady of Victory Catholic School is seeking caring and responsible individuals to serve as After-School Program Aides on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**. Responsibilities include supervising students, assisting with activities, and helping provide a safe and welcoming environment after school. Must be 18 years old. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Lauren Waltz at waltzl@olvcs.org.

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!



**WE'RE
HIRING!**

Join Our Team at
Our Lady of Victory Catholic School

CURRENT OPENINGS:

- Nurse
- Part-Time Instructional Aide
- Part-Time Math Teacher
- Part-Time Technology Teacher
- AM Preschool Instructional Aides



- School Hours
- Tuition Discount
- Summers & Holidays Off

To learn more, contact Anne Bord
(814) 238-1592 | borda@olvcs.org

**We want you to
join us on stage!**



Apply Today for Fall Enrollment!

Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy

www.stjoeacad.org 814-808-6118

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Gold Bracket: Boys & Girls, 9th Grade* and up
Silver Bracket: Boys & Girls, 8th Grade* and lower
Adult Bracket: Anyone age 18+, not in high school
*Grade level as of Fall 2026

\$10 per Participant

SAT AUG 22

**CHECK IN 10:30 AM
START 11:00 AM**



**ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC ACADEMY
901 BOALSBURG PIKE
BACK FIELD**

www.stjoeacad.org

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CATHOLIC ACADEMY**

Religious Education News

CCD and Sacramental Prep registrations are now open on the Religious Education website. If you are registering for CCD for grades K-8, please use the K-8 registration link. If you are planning on receiving Confirmation next year, please use the appropriate link (CCD or St. Joe's) on the site as well. For families that are new to the parish or are enrolling in CCD for the first time, you will also be prompted to fill in your Family Profile in Flocknote. CCD is Sunday, 10:30am to 11:20am starting September 1

Registration links can be found at: <https://ourladyofvictory.com/religious-education/>

Volunteers needed: 2 CCD catechists are needed for elementary grades for the 2026-2027 school year. We also need high school or adult catechist aides. Please contact Susan Ishmael at directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com if you are interested. Youth Protection clearances are required for adults and CCD starts mid-September.

Summer "To-do" list for students preparing to receive Confirmation on Monday, May 10th, 2027:

- Confirmation through OLV Religious Ed is for students in **9th-12th grade**.
- **Register** for Confirmation on the OLV Religious Ed site (see above), selecting either CCD (signs you up for Sunday AM classes and Confirmation) OR St. Joe's (signs you up for Confirmation; instruction is received at SJCA).
- **Select a sponsor.** This person must be in good standing with the Church and should be a good Christian witness and someone with whom you can talk to about the faith (a sponsor is not a parent, however).
- **Mark your calendar** for one of the 2 required Discipleship Events: One event for all students will be **Adoration with Bishop Mark on Saturday, October 24th @ 10:00am at OLV**. You will receive a list in the fall with other options for the second Discipleship Event.
- **Service hours:** look for and complete **10** service hours between now and next May.



Middle School and High School Youth groups For questions, please contact:

High School: highschoolyg@ourladyofvictory.com.

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



Saint Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: July Specials

- Christmas in July Blowout Sale...All Holiday items are 50% off!
- Check out our selection of Capris, Shorts, Sleeveless Tops and Bathing Suits

We need Donation Greeter(s) for Saturday mornings (10:00am to 1:00pm)/ Even if you only have one or two days a month to volunteer, we are looking for you. Training will be provided. To find out more about opportunities to help, please call 814-867-3131.

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.

The Combined Report of Assistance for May and June, 2026 from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. "Let us love God my brothers, let us love God. But let it be with the strength of our arms and the sweat of our brow." a quote from St. Vincent de Paul. In May and June, the Our Lady of Victory Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul received 212 requests and directly assisted 338 individuals, including 216 adults and 122 children. We helped 60 households secure or maintain housing or shelter and provided utility assistance for 35 other households. We provided transportation assistance for 28 others and helped with the personal/physical needs of 59 others. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul assists Centre County residents with basic needs on a case-by-case basis. Your support allows us to accomplish the work that God has given us to do. New Volunteers and Vincentians are always welcome. Call (814) 867-3131 for more information or stop at the Thrift Store on the Benner Pike and ask to speak to the Day Manager.



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 email Chris at: chrisk@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** 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.



Don't take a vacation from your faith! Tune into WJVM 90.3FM & WEJO 104.7 this summer!

Although our schedules change during the summer months, you can still catch our programming during these longer days. And when traveling outside our broadcasting area, you can "listen live" via the station link or download the app @www.waob.org. On the production side, we are already scheduling our recordings for August. Our equipment is portable and our devotions are scripted, so we just need your prayerful voices! We have Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy slots available each month. If you would like to record a prayer this summer, contact Sheryl Balkey at (814) 238-6288 or voiceofdivinemercy@gmail.com. Remember, just \$100/day keeps our Catholic voice on the air. Our 501(c)3 organization is volunteer-run and your tax-deductible donation may be mailed to: Voice of Divine Mercy, PO Box 862, State College, PA 16804-0862. We receive no direct funding from the local parishes or diocese, so your faithful support is vital to our evangelization effort.



Food Bank Sunday is August

2. The needs list includes: Snack items (crackers, cookies, chips/pretzels, granola bars, etc.), Pasta (egg noodles, penne, bow ties, rotini, rigatoni, ziti, etc. (we have a good supply of spaghetti and macaroni elbows right now), Tomato products (diced tomatoes, tomato sauce, tomato paste, stewed tomatoes, pasta sauce), Canned chicken, Canned pineapple and applesauce, SPAM, Sloppy Joe Sauce & Pizza Sauce, SPAM, Condiments (ketchup, mustard, Mayo, BBQ sauce, salad dressing, etc.), Coffee (ground, instant, coffee pods), Tea (black, green, herbal), oil (vegetable, canola, olive oil, cooking spray), Gluten-Free items (pasta, flour, baking items, snacks, etc.) Complete needs list can be found at scfoodbank.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. Gabriel Project has helped 24 mothers since January. 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.



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. Needed are 7 more women to pray for **Fr Ralph: for one hour, one day a week for 52 weeks of the year.**

We desire 7 women to pray one hour of Adoration, on a specified day of the week for one year for Fr. Ralph. Please contact Karen Kearney at kearneyt1@comcast.net or 814-883-4588 with questions or to join our efforts.

Much gratitude for the 32 women who are being generous with their time, every week lifting up Fr. George, Bishop Mark Bartchak, Deacon Dave and are continuing prayers for Jamey Darnell as he transitions his Deaconate training to S. Carolina. We would love to have 7 women lifting up Fr. Ralph's intentions since he is now here assisting our parish and far away from home.



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.

Anyone seeking more information please contact Karen Kearney: kearneyt1@comcast.net or 814-883-4588.



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: August 4 at OLV.

Knights - Church Sign/Misprint Jokes: What is it called when weiner dogs pray a prayer to the trinity?... A DAUCHSOLOGY!

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 of Columbus Blood Drive: Emergency Blood Shortage. The Red Cross blood supply fell 25% in June! Please donate at our K of C blood drive on Tuesday August 4, from 12:30 to 6:00 pm in the OLV Activities Center Gardiner Social Hall. Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter SCKnights to schedule an appointment. Save time by answering pre-donation questions at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass.

Formed.org: Discover On Demand Catholic movies for all ages. 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.

Outdoor Mass: Bishop Mark will celebrate the annual outdoor Mass for students entering or returning to college and their families on August 2 at 7:00 pm at the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine in Loretto. Recent high school graduates entering the military or workforce are also invited. During the Mass, the Bishop will offer a special blessing to the young adults and present them with a small gift. Please bring your own lawn chairs. If it rains, the Mass will be celebrated inside the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel, next to the Shrine.

Welcome Home: Please send an email to 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 home page at www.ourladyofvictory.com.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage 2026



December 7th - 13th 2026

Trip Features: Six nights hostel/hotel, breakfast and lunch everyday, daily Mass and Confession by our chaplain, all local transportation, including the MEX international airport (conditions apply), all entrance fees and tour fees, Pilgrims' booklet, two days visiting the Basilica of Our Lady, and farewell Mexican dinner. \$1,450.00. Contact Xhonane Olivas (814)229-6271, xolivas@yahoo.com

Diocesan Family Conference: Saturday, September 19 at Bishop Carroll High School, Ebensburg. PA. Please see the display in the Gathering Space for complete information.

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Open to All! Expand Your Faith from Home

NEW TESTAMENT
Taught by Fr. Brian Norris
Mondays, 6:30–9:00 PM (8 Weeks)
Starts August 3
Includes one Wednesday class in September
(2 Books Required, see form)

HEART OF FAITH
Taught by Deacon Wally Zapotoczny
Tuesdays, 6:00–8:30 PM (6 Weeks)
Starts August 11
(1 Book Required, see form)

OLD TESTAMENT
Taught by Fr. Brian Saylor
Thursdays, 6:45 pm–9:15 pm (8 Weeks)
Starts August 13
(1 Book Required, see form)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, JULY 27TH
NO REGISTRATION FORMS ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE



COST: \$40.00 PER PERSON
Payment MUST accompany registration form

HOW TO REGISTER:

Visit: dioceseaj.org/diocesanoffices/adultenrichment

See your Parish Priest or Secretary

Contact Jessica, Office of Adult Enrichment & Lay Ecclesial Ministry:
(814) 361-2000 • jgramling@dioceseaj.org

All are welcome!

