



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.

- 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.

August 1 & 2, 2026
18th Sunday of Ordinary Time



**Vacation Bible
School!**

**Everyone had a
wonderful time!**

Office Phone

Office Fax

Church Website:

Church E-mail:

School

Preschool

School/Preschool Website

Diocesan Website

OLV Prayer Network

814-237-7832

814-237-6709

www.ourladyofvictory.com

office@ourladyofvictory.com

814-238-1592

814-238-6616

www.olvcatholicschool.org

www.ajdiocese.org

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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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 & Benediction on Tuesday at 4:00pm; Reposition on Thursday at 6:30pm.

July 26 Collection: Envelope \$17,784.75; Loose \$2,029.00; Online Giving \$3,230.00; Maintenance \$94.00; School \$70.00; Twin Parish \$133.00; Candles \$228.00; Debt Reduction \$414.00; Gabriel Project \$230.00. Total \$24,212.75.

The Marian Gift Shop in the Activities Center is open on Sundays, 10:00am to 11:15am or by appointment by contacting Rose Marboe at 814-883-4446. Proceeds from the gift shop benefit Religious Education at OLV.



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, August 3

8:00am - † Charles Schneider by wife, Laura

10:00am (Mass at Foxdale) - † Robert J.

Davis by Helen Davis

Tuesday, August 4

8:00am - † Kathleen Maloney by The

Venturino Family

Adoration ends at 4:00pm.

Wednesday, August 5

8:00am - Ints. Ed & Carol Miller by Dave &

Nancy Watson

Thursday, August 6

8:00am - Ints. Bobby & Kerri Barnes &

Family by Kathleen Taylor & Bob Crowe

6:30pm - † Richard Senchak by Susan

Ishmael

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

Friday, August 7

8:00am - † Elizabeth Lopatesky, Kay

Davidson & Rose Venturino by Richard & Susan Hedden

Saturday, August 8

9:00am - † Mary Ann Coray by Deborah &

William Burwell

5:00pm - † Michael Sheppeck by John &

Ann Klara

Sunday, August 9

7:30am - Ints. Josh Morrison & Family by

The Meyer Family

9:30am - For All People of Parish

11:30am - † Anne Marie Hannon by Tony &

Karen Nasralla

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.



OLV Parish Picnic:
Sunday, August 16
 4pm to 7pm
 OLV School Gym and Grounds

Parish Provides: Hot dogs, sloppy joes, pulled pork BBQ, water, soft drinks and tableware.

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 label your food item if it contains nuts.

Please use a disposable serving dish and serving utensil.

Adults and youth 9th grade and up, if you would like to **volunteer** to help with the picnic (setting up, clearing tables, kitchen, cleaning up), please use the SIGN UP GENIUS.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0A48ABAD2EABFF2-44879913-olvpicnic#/>

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



Indoor Sale!



OLV Activities Center
 Gardiner Social Hall

Friday, August 14, 9:00am to 2:00pm
 Saturday, August 15, 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.*



Diocesan Family Conference

*Saturday, September 19, 2026
 Bishop Carroll High School, Ebensburg, PA*

Diocesan Family Conference "We are the Body of Christ": Saturday, September 19 at Bishop Carroll High School, Ebensburg, PA. Please see the display in the Gathering Space for complete information. Discount if register by August 30. Registration deadline is September 11.

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.

Help With Sunday Homily Recordings: An

OLV parishioner has been recording the Sunday homilies and texting the audios to recipients for listening at home. He is currently looking for a back-up volunteer to occasionally record a homily when his schedule does not permit him to do so. If you are someone who might help in this regard, please call the church office and leave your contact information.



Please Support our Future Priests The efforts of our Vocations Office are

working! We have three new seminarians this year, which brings our total to four men in formation for the priesthood. In addition, we have launched new programs to reach young men, including the popular "Loggia Nights" at the cathedral in Altoona. Thanks be to God, we now have dozens of teens and young men who are seriously considering priesthood! To support our seminarians and these increased efforts, we truly need your financial support. Bishop Bartchack has asked all Catholics to consider a generous gift. Please make your donation online at ajvocations.org/give, or use the envelope in your pew.



Please Remember In Your Prayers

Joyce M. Hughey, who died recently.



Baptisms: It is with great joy we welcome Micah Iwonosa Ebeigbe, son of Donald & Chineze, to the OLV Parish Family.

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.



WE'RE HIRING!

Join Our Team at
Our Lady of Victory Catholic School

CURRENT OPENINGS:

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

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- School Hours
- Tuition Discount
- Summers & Holidays Off

To learn more, contact Anne Bord
(814) 238-1592 | borda@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.olvcatholicsschool.org
or call (814) 238-1592 for a tour today!

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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Scan to Register + Information



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 

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: August Specials

- **EXTENDED:** Christmas in July Blowout Sale...All Holiday items are 50% off!
- Capris, Shorts, Sleeveless Tops and Bathing Suits are available for the end of summer activities.

Are you looking for a fun volunteer opportunity? We need Donation Greeter(s) for Saturday mornings (10 am-1pm). 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 information, 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.

Annual Grants: We recently received \$32,274.20 annual grants from the following Endowments (Jo Ann Taricani Memorial Endowment Fund, Antonio & Luisa Supino Endowment Fund, Thomas F. & Sara H. Songer Endowment Fund for OLV School and our Religious Education program. We are grateful to them for creating these funds for the children of our parish. Our endowment partner, the Independent Catholic Foundation, Altoona, administers the fund in a Catholic-aligned investment portfolio. Charitable contributions to the endowment may be made at any time. Learn more about the ICF at www.icfoundation.us.



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.

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



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 to 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.

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.

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



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!

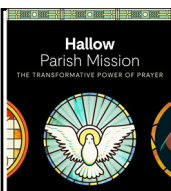
**Want to be part of the brotherhood? Please ask a
Knight or send an email to info@kc4678.com.
COME AND SEE!**

On the Web:

K of C webpage: www.kc4678.com

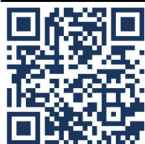
K of C Facebook: www.facebook.com/KCCouncil4678

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.



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?
Contact parishsupport@hallow.app.



Alpha Invitation- Alpha is an interna-
tional, nondenominational program
designed to explore and promote the
Christian faith. Hosted by Good
Shepherd Catholic Church in Port
Matilda, the program begins Thursday, September
10, and runs every Thursday through November
19 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. There will also be a
special Saturday session on October 24 (a
non-football weekend) from 8:00am to 2:30pm.

For more information about Alpha or to
register for the program go to:
<https://www.goodshepherd-sc.org/alpha-program>

For additional information or questions,
please contact Larry Ragan at LCR1@PSU.EDU.

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

Scouts BSA Members! We will be offering the
Pope Pius XII religious emblem to all scouts and
venturers who are in high school and a member of
a Scouts BSA Troop. This emblem seeks to help
scouts develop a Christian way of life within your
faith community. The program will start in August
and run through the fall. If you are interested in
participating, please contact Sue Clement
(suesetzclement@hotmail.com) for more
information.

Pilgrimage to France with Fr. Brian Saylor:

October 4-14, 2027

Fr. Brian Saylor, Pastor of St. John the Evangelist/
St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parishes invites you to join
him for a pilgrimage to France.

Where You'll Go: Paris • Lisieux • Omaha Beach •
Mont St. Michel • Nevers • Lourdes •
Paray-Le-Monial

COST: \$5,800.00

For more information contact Fr. Brian Saylor
(bsaylor@dioceseaj.org or 814-355-3134) or L.P.
Pilgrimage (1-833-944-8242 or booking@Lpjp.org).

Outdoor Mass: Bishop Mark will celebrate the
annual outdoor Mass for students entering or
returning to college and their families on August 2
at 7:00pm 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.

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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.