



Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

820 Westerly Parkway, State College, PA 16801

September 26 & 27, 2026
26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:00pm (Vigil)
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.



Knights of Columbus®
Spaghetti Dinner Good Food Great Company!
Thursday, October 1, 2026
5:30 - 7:00 pm
Gardiner Social Hall
of the OLV Activities Center
Bread from Genelli Bakers
Proceeds benefit the
Altoona-Johnstown Vocations Appeal
Adults **\$12** Children 10 and under **\$5**
The spaghetti, sauce, and meatballs are from
DelGrosso's
Dinner Includes:
Bread | Salad | Cake | Drinks

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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.olvcatholicsschool.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>.

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 Secretary, Betty Gummo
 Secretary, Diane Lapinski
 Director of Development, Chris Kirkpatrick
 Director of OCIA, Deacon David Lapinski
 Director of Religious Education, Susan Ishmael
 Director of Music, Joe Malafarina
 Principal, Anne Bord - (814) 238-1592
 Pre-School Director, Chastidy Stewart - (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 Tuesday at 4:00pm, Reposition on Thursday at 6:30pm.

September 20 Collection: Envelope \$17,944.00; Loose \$2,902.00; Online Giving \$3,340.00; School \$1,614.00; Maintenance \$260.00; Twin Parish Mission \$0; Candles \$205.00; Debt Reduction \$55.00; Donuts \$52.00; St. Vincent de Paul \$0; Gabriel Project \$975.00; Missionary Co-op \$435.00. SJCA Scholarship \$20.00. Total \$26,638.00.

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.

The Marian Gift Shop The Marian Gift Shop in the Activities Center is open Sundays from 10:00am -11:15am or by appointment. Please contact the church office if you need to shop on other days. Proceeds from the gift shop benefit Religious Education at OLV.



Wedding: Congratulations to Laura Alexandra Lundberg and Dante Anthony Nelson, who were married at OLV on Saturday, September 20.

MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE

Monday, September 28

8:00am - †Charles Hall by Mary Beth Regan
 10:00am (Foxdale) - † Rose & Albert Toth by Harry Marshall

Tuesday, September 29

8:00am -† Dennis Craig by Sandy Craig
Adoration ends at 4:00pm.

Wednesday, September 30

8:00am - † Robert Dzikowski by The Peters Family

Thursday, October 1

8:00am - Ints. Bee Bremmer by Alane & Harold Haney
 6:30pm - † Gary Morella by The Family
Confessions 5:30pm, Adoration ends at 6:30pm.

Friday, October 2

8:00am - Ints. Mary Ann Zakeski by Mary & Eric

Saturday, October 3

9:00am - † Paul Lutz by The Family
 5:00pm - † Peggy Barone by The Barone Family

Sunday, October 4

7:30am - Ints. Alane & Harold Haney 40th Wedding Anniversary by The Family
 9:30am - For All People of Parish
 11:30am - † Donald Murnyack by Dave & Linda Thiel



Baptism: It is with great joy we welcome Eliott Jade Schneider, daughter of Tom & Lauren, 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?

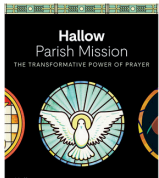
Sessions are held on Thursdays at 7:00pm in the OLV Activities Center.

Questions: becomingcatholic@ourladyofvictory.com

Adult Catechesis is starting back up this fall! Meetings take place from 10:35-11:15am on Sundays in the Activities Center Assembly Room. Each session will include time for questions and discussion. All are welcome to attend, but we especially encourage CCD parents and post-CCD high school students to join us. New attendees are always welcome, and you can attend as many or as few sessions as you like. Our upcoming schedule is the following:

- Sep 27: The Holy Spirit
- Oct 4: Church Teachings on Mary
- Oct 11: Answering Protestant Objections to Mariology

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



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 the parish page and the prayer challenge. Issues with the app access? Please contact parishsupport@hallow.app.



Blessing of Animals - The OLV Preschool will celebrate the Feast of St. Francis on Friday, October 2 at 10:30am in the OLV Preschool Courtyard. Parishioners are invited to bring their pets to be blessed outside the Preschool courtyard.

Life Chain Sunday - October 4

The Life Chain is a peaceful expression of our respect and reverence for life.

Please meet at 820 Westerly Parkway, State College at 12:45pm.

You will be directed to your place in the Life Chain of people stretching along the sidewalks.

We will stand in our places from 1:00pm to 2:00pm.

Life Chain signs will be provided.

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.

OLV Bazaar News: Saturday, November 7

The OLV Annual Parish Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 7, 8:30am to 4:00pm in the OLV School Gym. We will have coffee and donuts from 8:30am to 10:00am. Kitchen opens from 10:00am to 2:00pm for lunch. Crafts, baked goods, Theme Baskets, Raffle tickets, Silent Auction, Kids games, and gently used stuffed animals, games and toys and live entertainment. Drawings for money raffle and theme baskets will be held at 3:30pm. Silent auction will end at 2:00pm. Winners do not need to be present to win.

Theme Baskets: We are once again inviting all parishioners and groups to be involved in the yearly OLV Bazaar by making a Theme Basket. We are asking that the baskets be a minimum retail value of \$50.00. Baskets can be dropped off at the rectory office starting the week of October 19. Please put your basket in a clear basket bag with the THEME BASKET TAG on the outside. The Baskets will be on display and tickets will be sold during the OLV Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 7, in the OLV School Gym. Empty baskets to be filled are under the steps in the Church. If you have any large unused baskets, please leave them under the steps in the Church for others to use. If you have any questions, please call Steve or Deb McGregor at (814) 880-8900. THEME BASKET tags are available in the Gathering Space.

Attention All Crafters – The OLV Bazaar Crafts Committee will be having their Crafts meetings on Saturdays, October 3, 17 & 31 at 10:30am in the OLV Activities Center Library. We will be working on projects/gift baskets so please join us. Questions? Contact Pat Lutz at 814-404-4155 or patL4books@msn.com or Joy Stauffer at 814-360-1801. We look forward to seeing you!

Silent Auction: Please consider donating items to the Bazaar's Silent Auction that are a minimum retail value of \$50 to \$100. Items donated should be new or like new, collectible, antique, jewelry, sports memorabilia or gift certificates. Please drop off the items to the rectory office starting the week of October 25 with an estimated value. Contact Chris Kirkpatrick at chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com or 814-237-7832, ext. 401.

Raffle Tickets: Please remember to turn in your raffle tickets. Extra tickets are available in the Gathering Space of the Church.

Volunteers Needed: We need your help to make our Bazaar a huge success! We need help for setup (Friday, Nov. 6), teardown and help during the Bazaar. If you have any questions, please contact Kirkpatrick at chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com or call 814-237-7832, ext. 421.



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.



JOIN OUR TEAM!

- Part-Time Athletic Director
- Part-time Instructional Aide

APPLY NOW

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

OLV Day is almost here! The 2026 Our Lady of Victory Catholic School Walk-A-Thon will be held in conjunction with OLV Day on October 7th. This event honors the patroness of OLVCS: Our Blessed Mother Mary, also known as Our Lady of Victory, and the Walk-A-Thon is our school's only all school fundraiser.

Key Details:

Event: 2026 OLVCS Walk-A-Thon

Date: October 7th, 2026

Purpose: Raise needed funds to support preschool, elementary, and middle school programs and activities.

How you can help:

- We are thankful for the generous support of individuals, families, and businesses.
- Please consider making a donation to support this special event.

Donation options:

- Drop off checks/cash at the school or church offices.
- Donate online at www.olvcatholicsschool.org/walkathon.
- Scan the QR code provided to make an online donation.





FAITH Retreat

NOVEMBER 6 & 7

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm & 8:30 am – 3 pm
\$40 per person

VISIT WWW.STJOEACAD.ORG TO REGISTER TODAY

Faith Retreat: November 6 & 7

Friday 6:30pm - 8:30pm &
Saturday 8:30am - 3:00pm
\$40 per person

Parents and caregivers-Join us in the Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy Student Union for two days of reconnection and renewal. Art and Laraine Bennett, authors of *The Temperament God Gave You*.

REGISTER TODAY

Along with the workshops and discussions, this retreat also includes Mass on Saturday morning. Snacks, breakfast, and lunch are included. Free childcare available (ages 3-11), but spots are limited, so reserve your spot today!

A Weekend on the Four Temperaments



Speakers: Art and Laraine Bennett

Art and Laraine Bennett, authors of *The Temperament God Gave You*, bring training in psychology and philosophy (and 49 years of marriage) to explore the four classic temperaments through humorous personal family stories. You will walk away understanding yourself, relating better to the people you love, and grow closer to God.

Register Today!

www.stjoeacad.org



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.

Religious Education News

- **For families that are new to the parish** and need to enroll for CCD, you can use the Registration Link at the Religious Education website: <https://ourladyofvictory.com/religious-education/>

- CCD is Sunday, 10:30am to 11:20am. Classes meet in the OLV School gym for grades 1-8. High school meets in the school cafeteria. Kindergarten CGS program meets in the Activities Center..

- Upcoming Dates for Confirmation Prep students:

- **Select a sponsor by October 11.** 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 can not a parent, however). Sponsor information can be uploaded on the Sponsor Link on the Confirmation webpage.
- **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 24 @ 10:00am at OLV.** You will receive a list at the September 20 meeting with other options for the second Discipleship Event.
- **Service hours:** look for and complete 10 service hours between now and next May.
- **Service Opportunity:** Volunteers are needed for the Jared Box packing event on Saturday, October 3rd from 11-3pm. Please email Mrs. Ishmael if you are interested in signing up to help.



Middle School and High School Youth groups meet Wednesdays at 7:00pm in the OLV Activities Center. 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: September Specials!

- Halloween Décor is available and Costumes will be coming soon.
- With cooler weather around the corner, we have sweaters and coats available.
- Check out our Crafts area - Sewing Patterns are on sale for 50% off.

We are looking for volunteers to help with a variety of tasks at the store. To find out more, please call 814-867-3131. Training will be provided and we look forward to talking to you.

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.

Help Requested! After first being introduced nearly three years ago, the weekly homily audio recordings are currently being TEXTED to 95 registered recipients and the count continues to increase. The individual responsible for this ministry would like to invite an OLV parishioner/volunteer to help by: 1. BACKING UP his efforts, 2. Becoming familiar with the audio recordings and the texting procedures (in order that this ministry might be more easily/readily sustainable into the future), 3. Be in a position to "fill in" and take care of details as needed. If you think you might like to help, please TEXT Jim T. at cell# 717-504-1091 to learn more details and how you might participate. Thank you !!

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.

Novena Prayer (September 29- October 7) 9 Days in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Patroness

Our Lady of Victory, we have unshaken confidence in your influence with your Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ. Humbly we ask your intercession for all of us associated under your title, Our Lady of Victory.

We beg your powerful assistance also for our own personal needs. [In silence mention personal intentions] In your maternal kindness please ask Jesus to forgive all our sins and failings, and to secure His blessings for us all and for all the works of charity dedicated to your name.

We implore you to obtain for us the grace of sharing in Christ's victory and yours forever in the life that knows no ending. May we join you there forever to praise the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, One God, for all ages to come. Amen.



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.



Stay Tuned into WJVM 90.3FM & WEJO 104.7FM!

Although many of our schedules are about to change with the arrival of fall, you can still catch our programming by radio or streaming. When traveling outside our broadcasting area, you may "listen live" via the station link [@www.waob.org](http://www.waob.org). On the production side, we have four recording slots available each month. Our equipment is portable and our devotions are scripted, so we just need your prayerful voices! If your family or group would like to record a prayer in October, please contact Sheryl Balkey at (814)238-6288 or voiceofdivinemercy@gmail.com. Remember, just \$100/day keeps our Catholic voice in 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. May God continue to bless all of our listeners, donors, and prayer volunteers!

Come Celebrate the Wonder, Warmth, and Magic of the Season!!

Father Brian will be hosting a bus trip to Lancaster to see the all-new American Music Theatre live, original musical Christmas Show: Winter Wonderland. The bus trip is on Thursday, November 19, for the 10:30am showing. Travel will be by Fullington Trailways. We will be stopping after the show at Cracker Barrel in Harrisburg. The bus will be boarding in front of St. John's at 6:00 am and returning approximately at 7:00 pm. Cost of the trip is \$140.00 per person which includes show ticket and transportation. Meals will be on your own. All reservations and money must be received in St. John's parish office by Friday, October 9. Please note – no reservations will be accepted without payment. Space is limited. If you have any questions, please contact St. John's parish office at (814) 355-3134.

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



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 pregnancy. Over 37 mothers have been helped so far this year. 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.

Sponsor of the Week: Without advertisements in our bulletins from sponsors like **KOCH Funeral Home**, 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.



**STATE COLLEGE
FOOD BANK**

Food Bank Sunday is October 4.

Food Items needed:
crackers, cookies,

chips, pretzels, granola bars, etc. Cereal. Also needed: Ready-to-Eat Soups: Progresso, Campbell's CHUNKY, or store brand equivalent Sides: Knorr pasta & rice sides, Rice-A-Roni, instant potatoes, stuffing mix, etc. Pasta: penne, bow ties, rotini, rigatoni, ziti, etc. (we have a good supply of egg noodles and macaroni elbows right now) Canned Pineapple & Applesauce (jars or cups) Condiments: ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, BBQ sauce, salad dressing, etc., Pancake & Baking Mix, Ground Coffee, Instant Coffee, Coffee Pods, Tea: black, green, herbal, Oil: vegetable, canola, olive oil, cooking spray, Gluten-Free items → pasta, flour, baking items, snacks, etc. **Non-Food Items:** Laundry Detergent (MOST POPULAR! small bottles preferred), Liquid Dish Soap, Liquid Hand Soap, Toothpaste & Toothbrushes, Bar Soap & Body Wash, Period Care Products & Incontinence Products, Assorted Personal Hygiene Supplies, Paper Products, Cleaning Products. Please make checks payable to Food Bank of State College. Please place items in Food Bank bin in back of the Church.



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