



# Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

820 Westerly Parkway, State College, PA 16801

## 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](http://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.



**September 5 & 6, 2026**

**23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time**



**OLVCS Co-ed Soccer Team and Girl's Volleyball Team**

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| Office Phone             | 814-237-7832                                                                 |
| Office Fax               | 814-237-6709                                                                 |
| Church Website:          | <a href="http://www.ourladyofvictory.com">www.ourladyofvictory.com</a>       |
| Church E-mail:           | <a href="mailto:office@ourladyofvictory.com">office@ourladyofvictory.com</a> |
| School                   | 814-238-1592                                                                 |
| Preschool                | 814-238-6616                                                                 |
| School/Preschool Website | <a href="http://www.olvcatholicschool.org">www.olvcatholicschool.org</a>     |
| Diocesan Website         | <a href="http://www.ajdiocese.org">www.ajdiocese.org</a>                     |
| OLV Prayer Network       | <a href="mailto:prayer@ourladyofvictory.com">prayer@ourladyofvictory.com</a> |

**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>.

Pastor, Fr. George Jakopac      gjakopac@dioceseaj.org  
Fr. Ralph Mensah              skidoralph@gmail.com  
Deacon David Lapinski        dcfl@ourladyofvictory.com

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.

**August 30 Collection:** Envelope \$20,941.00; Loose \$2,517.00; Online Giving \$2,670.00; School \$310.00; Maintenance \$5.00; Twin Parish Mission \$135.00; Candles \$222.00; Debt Reduction \$180.00; Donuts \$90.00; St. Vincent de Paul \$608.00; Assumption \$115.00; Missionary Co-op \$5,683.00. Total \$33,476.00.

**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** in the Activities Center is closed Sunday, September 6th for Labor Day weekend. Please contact the church office if you need to shop on other days. It will reopen September 13.



**Labor Day:** The Church office will be closed on Monday, September 7



**Please Remember In Your Prayers**  
Jacqueline Saylor, who died recently.

## **MASS MEMORIALS and SCHEDULE**

### **Monday, September 7**

8:00am - † Gary Ulinski by Karen, Bob, Chris & Mark Ulinski & Families

### **Tuesday, September 8**

8:00am - † Gerald Halbedl by Sharon & Dan Galvin

*Adoration ends at 4:00pm.*

### **Wednesday, September 9**

8:00am - † Ingrid Blood by The Hershey Family

### **Thursday, September 10**

8:00am - † Michael Cox by Beth & Mrs. D.

6:30pm - Spec. Int. Kat Galvin by Mom & Dad  
*Confessions 5:30pm, Adoration ends at 6:30pm.*

### **Friday, September 11**

8:00am - Ints. Jack Infield by Bee Bremmer

### **Saturday, September 12**

9:00am - † Danielle Yocum by Margit Yocum

5:00pm - † David Mathis by Jeanne & Bruce Halpin

### **Sunday, September 13**

7:30am - † Michael Demaree by The Family

9:30am - For All People of Parish

11:30am - † Ethel Flynn by Iris Flynn

**Welcome Home:** Please send an email to [WelcomeHome@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto: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](http://www.ourladyofvictory.com).



**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](mailto:becomingcatholic@ourladyofvictory.com)





**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.



**Annual Anniversary Mass:** Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of marriage in 2026 (and their families) to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend Sunday, September 13 in ALTOONA at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or Sunday, September 20 in JOHNSTOWN at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2:00 p.m. Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant and homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/snacks will be available after the mass for anniversary couples and their families.

Reservations must be made through your parish for either celebration by Friday, September 11.



**KEEP MARCHING**  
*for life*

Join us at St. Patrick's Cathedral in prayer for the protection of life!

**Adoration**

1:30 pm\* - 9:00 am  
\*Begins Sunday afternoon

**Holy Mass**

Opening Mass: 9:30 am  
Closing Mass: 1:30 pm

**RALLY 11:00 AM | MARCH: NOON**

LEARN MORE: [HBDIOCESE.ORG/MARCHFORLIFE](http://HBDIOCESE.ORG/MARCHFORLIFE)



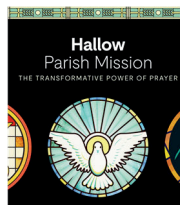
**2026 Mission Cooperative Appeal:** If you wish to donate the Missionary Co-op collection presented by Rt. Rev. Bhaskar Jesuraj, Bishop of the Diocese of Meerot, please use the purple Mission Co-op envelopes in the September packets or envelopes found in the back of the Church.

**Adult Catechesis** is starting back up this fall! Meetings take place from 10:35-11:15 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 20: The Holy Trinity
- 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](mailto:RMcManus1@yahoo.com) if you have any questions or to get on our email list.

**Attention All Crafters** – The OLV Bazaar Crafts Committee will be having their Crafts meetings on Saturdays, September 5 & 19, 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 [pat4books@msn.com](mailto:pat4books@msn.com) or Joy Stauffer at 814-360-1801. We look forward to seeing you!



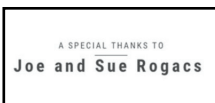
**O.L.V. + Hallow:** New to Hallow? Visit [hallow.com/parish](http://hallow.com/parish), search for our parish (zip code is fastest), and follow the prompts. You'll be given a special trial which gives access to all the app's premium content - if you'd like to forgo and remain on the free version, simply 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](mailto:parishsupport@hallow.app).

**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.



**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:  
Where Faith and Education Thrive!*

Visit us online at [www.olvcschool.org](http://www.olvcschool.org)  
or call (814) 238-1592 for a tour today!



# 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](mailto:borda@olvcs.org).

Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy

# FAITH Retreat

## NOVEMBER 6 & 7

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

VISIT [WWW.STJOEACAD.ORG](http://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](http://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](mailto: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 starting September 13, 2026.** Families are asked to attend the 9:30am Mass on 9/13/26 and then remain in the church for a short opening presentation. This is for all families K-9.
- **Volunteers Needed:** We can still use several aides or guest teachers for CCD. Please contact Susan Ishmael at [directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto:directorccd@ourladyofvictory.com) if you are interested. Aides can be adults or in high school. Guest teachers are over 18. All adults are required to obtain Diocesan Youth Protection clearances.
- There will be a **Confirmation parent meeting during CCD class on Sunday, September 20** in the OLV school gym. This is a meeting meant primarily for the parents, as we will be going over the Theology of the Body curriculum that will be presented in CCD during the Fall Semester. Other general requirements will also be covered.
- **Early Fall "To-do" list for students preparing to receive Confirmation on Monday, May 10, 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 24 @ 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 meet Wednesdays at 7:00pm in the OLV Activities Center.** For questions, please contact:

High School: [highschoolyg@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto:highschoolyg@ourladyofvictory.com).

Middle School, please contact Molly Bosak at [middleschoolyg@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto:middleschoolyg@ourladyofvictory.com).

### Saint Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: End of Summer Specials!



- **END OF SUMMER SALE:** Shorts, Capris, Sleeveless Tops and Bathing Suits on SALE for 50% off,
- Check out our selection of Suede and Leather Coats

If you have free time and are looking for something fun to do, why not consider joining our team of Volunteers? 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.

**NOTE:** The Thrift Store is closed September 5-7 for the Labor Day weekend.

### Catholic Community Group Sales - Penn State Center for the Performing Arts

For order info. contact Chris Kirkpatrick at [chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto:chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com) or 814-237-7832. Prices shown at discounted group sales rate. Payment due at time of order. All events at Eisenhower Auditorium

**The Wiz** – Broadway Musical: 7:00pm Thurs., Oct. 22. Adult \$72.25; 18 and Under \$57.80; PSU Student \$45.05; Order/Payment due by Sept. 17.

**Gravity & Other Myths: Australian circus** 7:30pm Tues., Oct. 27. Adult \$48.80; 18 and Under \$12.75; PSU Student \$8.50. Order/Payment due by Sept 24.

**Clue** – Broadway Musical: 7:30pm Thurs., Oct. 29. Adult \$72.25; 18 and Under \$57.80; PSU Student \$45.05; Order/Payment due by Sept. 28.

**Shanghai Ballet presents Giselle:** 7:30pm Thurs., Nov. 5. Adult \$47.60; 18 and Under \$12.75; PSU Student \$8.50. Order/Payment due by Oct. 1.

**Shucked** - Broadway Musical: 7:30pm Tues., Feb. 2.: Adult \$72.25; 18 and Under \$57.80; PSU Student \$45.05; Order/Payment due by Dec., 1.

**Minty Fresh Circus:** 7:30pm Tue., Feb. 9.: Adult \$48.80; 18 and Under \$12.75; PSU Student \$8.50. Order/Payment due by Jan. 9.

**Monteverdi Choir: The Bach: St. Matthew Passion:** 7:30pm Tues., Feb. 16, 2027 Adult \$61.10; 18 and Under \$12.75; University Park Student \$8.50. Order/Payment due by Jan. 20.

**A Beautiful Noise** - Broadway Musical: 7:30pm Thurs., March 18. Adult \$72.25; 18 and Younger \$57.80; PSU Student \$45.05; Order/Payment due by Feb. 10.



### **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](mailto:office@ourladyofvictory.com) to be added as a scheduled or substitute adorer.



**Tune into WJVM 90.3FM & WEJO 104.7FM this Fall!** Make room for Catholic radio in your fall schedule. Whether at home or traveling outside our broadcasting area, you can also "listen live" via the station link

[www.waob.org](http://www.waob.org). On the production side, we are now scheduling "pray-ers" for our slots in October and November. If your family or group would like to pray this fall, contact Sheryl Balkey at (814)238-6288 or [voiceofdivinemeracy@gmail.com](mailto:voiceofdivinemeracy@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. Please add all of our students, pre-school through college, to your prayers this month. May they grow in faith and knowledge during the academic year!

**St. Catherine of Siena** (308 Old Rt. 22, Duncansville). will hold their Annual Mary's Day Celebration on Tuesday, September 8. Outdoor Mass and Rosary Procession at the 5:30pm at the Shrine, with Bishop Mark. If inclement weather, the outdoor Mass will be celebrated in the Church hall. Food, exhibits, religious raffle, rosary makers, and crafts in the hall. Day will conclude with birthday cake in the church hall.



### **Women of Grace/Young**

**Women of Grace:** Think you know all there is to know about Mary? Guess again. Join one of our Women of Grace gatherings! "Mary through the eyes of the Mystics" or "Who is Mary" are 6 weeks with Time and date TBD depending on interest. Please contact Karen Kearney at [kearneyt1@comcast.net](mailto:kearneyt1@comcast.net) or 814-883-4588. Full of Grace - WOG Foundational Study is a 9 week study. Another option is Mornings of Grace – once a month. If you prefer on-line options please go to the website: [www.womenofgrace.com](http://www.womenofgrace.com) where you will find many free or inexpensive ways to grow your faith with Women of Grace. Join us and learn why "The hour ....has come... the hour in which women acquire in the world an influence, an effect and a power never hitherto achieved. That is why...women impregnated with a spirit of the Gospel can do so much to aid humanity in not falling." The closing Message "To Women" from the Second Vatican Council.



THE  
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 pregnancy. Over 35 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.

**Formed.org:** Discover On Demand Catholic movies for all ages. To sign up for Formed, go to [Formed.org/signup](http://Formed.org/signup): enter our zip code (16801) and select Our Lady of Victory. The Formed app is available on Apple TV and Roku.

**Sponsor of the Week:** Without advertisements in our bulletins from sponsors like **Red Lion Chimney Sweep**, 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](mailto:mmcaleer@4lpi.com).

### **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

An information session will be held Sunday, Sept. 20 at 2:00pm in the St. John Rectory Basement (134 E. Bishop St., Bellefonte PA).

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

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



**Father O'Hanlon Council #4678  
State College Knights of Columbus**

**"Knights Notes":**

**Calendar of Events:** Please check [www.kc4678.com](http://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.

**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](mailto:info@kc4678.com).**

**COME AND SEE!**

On the Web:

K of C webpage: [www.kc4678.com](http://www.kc4678.com)

K of C Facebook: [www.facebook.com/KCCouncil4678](http://www.facebook.com/KCCouncil4678)

**Annual Columbus Day Mass:** Celebrate Mass at the annual Columbus Day Mass in the historic Columbus Chapel, on the site of the Boal Mansion Museum. Mass times are at 10:00am & 2:00pm on Monday, October 12th. Seating is very limited; please email Executive Director Anna Rupprecht at [office@boalmuseum.com](mailto:office@boalmuseum.com) or call 724-859-5324 to reserve your tickets. A tour of the chapel and light social will be provided after each Mass.

**Our Lady's Pilgrimage:** Saturday, September 12 at 1:30pm: Join us for Our Lady's Pilgrimage: Rosary & Tour of the Columbus Chapel — a peaceful afternoon of prayer, history, and devotion at the Columbus Chapel & Boal Mansion Museum, co-hosted by the St. John's Catholic Outreach Committee. No reservation necessary; \$5 donation suggested for chapel tour.

xolivas@yahoo.com'."/>

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage 2026**

**December 7<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:xolivas@yahoo.com)

**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](mailto:xolivas@yahoo.com)

**The State College Choral Society** is presenting In Remembrance - 9/11 - 25 Years on Sunday, September 13 at 3:00pm in the State College Area High School Performance Hall. We will present the Mozart Requiem in commemoration of the 25th anniversary of 9/11. Come and enjoy this concert, under the baton of Erik Clayton, Artistic Director. We will be collaborating with Pennsylvania Chamber Orchestra, Juniata College Concert Choir, and State High Master Singers. More information as well as tickets are available at [www.scchoralsociety.org](http://www.scchoralsociety.org).



**OLV Music Ministries Fall Restart!** It's time to start thinking about joining a musical group and "praying twice". St. Augustine is credited with saying "He who sings prays twice". Pope St. John Paul II wrote that at every Mass, the faithful are "to take an active part in the singing". While we at OLV have been getting better at congregational singing, we need to have a more active participation in our music ministries. Some people think that there is an audition for each group. Others believe that they are "not good enough" to join a group. That couldn't be further from the truth. Most groups are "walk in and sing".

**The Sanctuary Choir** rehearses on Thursdays – starting on September 10 – from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the Music Suite of the Activities Center. All are welcome! Don't worry about your voice – we'll find a place for you in the group!

**Victory Bells** use bells to "sing" – we have several beginner "ringers" – anyone can learn how to "ring a bell". VB will rehearse on Wednesday, September 9, at 7:00 PM in the Activities Center Music Suite.

**Contemporary Ensemble**, directed by Mary Weidenhof, is another "walk in" group, rehearsing before the 9:30 AM or 11:30 AM Mass. Give Mary a call at: 814-571-2552.

**Spirits of Fire** is a youthful group that sings once a month – usually at 5:00 PM Mass. Walk in, and give it a try – even if you are not a "youthful" spirit.

**Cantors** - If you are interested in becoming a Cantor, please contact Joe.

**Instrumentalist** - If you play a musical instrument, we can use your talents in one or more of our groups.

**Resurrection Choir:** If you are available to sing at funerals, then the Resurrection Choir can use your voice. Interested singers form a Choir and add support and comfort to the family of the deceased. Just show up before the next funeral and sit in the pews near the organ and piano.

If you have any questions, call or email Music Director Joe Malafarina at: 814-237-7832, ext. 423 – or email [joem@ourladyofvictory.com](mailto:joem@ourladyofvictory.com).  
You will ALWAYS be welcome!