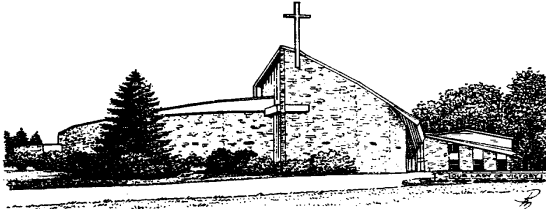


Our Lady of Victory Church

820 Westerly Parkway, State College, PA 16801



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WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri., - 7:00AM & 9:00AM
Wednesday - 9:00am & 7:00pm
Saturday - 9:00AM

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday - 5:00PM (Vigil)
Sunday - 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, & 5:00PM

HOLY DAY MASSES

6:00PM Vigil 7:00AM, 9:00AM, 12:05PM & 6:00PM

PHONE NUMBERS

Church	237-7832
Fax	237-6709
School	238-1592
Preschool	238-6616
Religious Ed. (C.C.D.)	234-3315
Social Service	238-4937
SVdP Thrift Store	867-3131

Secretaries' Office Hours

Mon.-Fri., 8:30 AM to Noon, 1:00 to 4:00PM

CONFESSIONS

4:00PM - 4:45PM Saturdays
4:00PM - 4:30PM eve of First Friday
7:00PM - 7:30PM all Thursdays
5:00PM - 5:30PM eve of Holy Days.
Offered anytime upon request.

BAPTISM

Sunday 1:30PM with arrangements having been made previously through the Rectory.

MARRIAGE

Diocesan Regulations require nine months prior notice to ensure availability of dates.

BULLETIN NOTICE

Material to be published in the following week's bulletin should be on the editor's desk no later than Tuesday at noon.

Church website : ourladyofvictory.com

Church e-mail : churchoffice@olv.us

School website : olvcs.org

September 10 & 11, 2005 - 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

MASS MEMORIALS

Monday, September 12, 2005

7:00am - † Catherine & Thomas Baka by Barbara Montresor
9:00am - † Debbie Klingler by Maureen Klingler

Tuesday, September 13, 2005

7:00am - † Ethel Flynn by Iris Flynn
9:00am - † Michael Demaree by Greta Suhr

Wednesday, September 14, 2005

9:00am - Ints. of Those Served by SVDP by SVDP
7:00pm - † Stephen Reisteter by The Weidenhof Family

Thursday, September 15, 2005

7:00am - † M/M George McCrossin by Anne Leahey & Family
9:00am - Special Intentions of the Bord Family

Friday, September 16, 2005

7:00am - Ints. Helen Galgocy by The Weidenhof Family
9:00am - † Alfreda Slavinski by 4A OLVCS Class

Saturday, September 17, 2005

9:00am - † John Dombroski by The Family
5:00pm - † John Federovich by Mary Koteles

Sunday, September 18, 2005

7:30am - † Michael Mester by Joe & Julie Grego
9:30am - For All People of the Parish
11:30am - † Howard & Ida Dunne by Margaret & Ralph Stevenson
5:00pm - † David Gardiner by Karen Kight & Family

Week of Sept. 11, 2005

Su: Sir 27:30-28:9/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35
Mo.: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 7:1-10
Tu.: 1 Tm 3:1-13/ Lk 7:11-17
We.: Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Th.: 1 Tm 4:12-16/ Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Fr.: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/ Lk 8:1-3
Sa.: 1 Tm 6:13-16/ Lk 8:4-15
Next Su.: Is 55:6-9/ Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/ Mt 20:1-16a

Altar Server Schedule

At this time, we are not going to be scheduling servers for weekday Masses. If you would like to serve a weekday Mass, you are invited to show up for the Mass and volunteer to serve.

Saturday - September 17

5:00pm - Gus & Chris Sommer,
Colleen Allen, *Volunteer*

Sunday - September 18

7:30am - Katie & Carolyn Mahon,
Anna Gilpatrick, Morgan Sichler
9:30am - Fiona, Thomas & Teresa
Donnellan, Thomas Sicree
11:30am - Matthew & Darren Balkey,
Tim Taylor, Evan Daniels
5:00pm - Kyle Surovec, Sami Misja,
Ryan Bassett, Dominic Geleskie

Reflection

Forgiving one's neighbor was required by Jewish law, but it had its limits. Seven times was generous, but Jesus pushes past generosity and moves forgiveness to the level of heroic. Sin and failure will always be present in the world because we are flawed by original sin. When we offend one another, Jesus asks us to see beyond the moment and recognize the possibilities that grace offers.

To live in peace, to mature as people and to bond with others, we need to allow for failures. Forgiveness allows us to look beyond an offense and see the goodness of the person. Jesus knows that this is not just a once and done event. We are always in need of forgiveness, both as the giver and receiver. It is a source of healing and growth that allows us to be the Body of Christ.

The Sunday 9:30am Mass is broadcast on ESPN Radio, 1450AM.

Weekly Schedule

Su. 9/11 6:15pm Religious Ed. Classes begin
M-F 6:40am Morning Prayer, Ch
Mo. 9/12 6:00pm Youth Group, AC Youth Room
7:00pm School Council, AC SCR
8:00pm Charismatic Prayer Group
Tu. 9/13 9:30am Rosary Makers, AC Lib.
9:45am Prayer Network, UR
3:30pm Children's Choir, AC MR
4:15pm Youth Choir, AC MR
7:00pm Eucharist Class, AC MR#1
7:00pm Parish Council, AC SCR
7:00pm St. Dunstan Handbells, AC MR
7:30pm SVDP, AC SAAR
8:00pm Westminster Handbell, AC MR
We. 9/14 11:00am Opus Dei Women's Group, Karen Bord's home
6:30pm Learn to Sight Read Music, AC Music Room
6:35pm Rosary, Ch
7:00pm CDA Exec. Comm., AC Lib.
7:00pm Daily Mass, Ch
7:30pm Opus Dei Women's, UR
7:30pm RCIA Sessions, AC SAAR
7:30pm Sanctuary Choir, AC MR
Th 9/15 7:30am 24 Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
1:30pm SOLV General Meeting, AC GSH
2:15pm Armata Bianca, Ch/UR
Fr. 9/16 9:00am School Mass, Ch
Su. 9/18 2:00pm Anniversary Mass, Cathedral, Altoona
Confessions are at 4:00pm on Saturdays and 7:00pm on Thursdays.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School Headlines -OLV Catholic School eighth graders will be collecting money for the victims of Hurricane Katrina as their first service project this year. Checks made out to OLVCS and marked for hurricane relief can be sent to the school. The faculty and staff of the school would also like to thank the group of parents who dedicated hours of thought and labor to decorate the teacher's room this summer. It's beautiful, well organized, and a relaxing place for us to breathe!

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School is seeking substitute teachers for grades K-8. If interested, e-mail the school at: principal@olvcs.org or call the school office at 238-1592.

The Our Lady of Victory Preschool welcomes all new families to the 2005-2006 school year providing quality programs for children ages 2 ½ to 5 years (Pre-K) for over ten years. For more information and a school visit, phone 238-6616 - Beth Dougherty, Director.

OLV Prayer Network Ministry - Prayer requests may be offered through the Prayer Network by calling Margaret Morella (234-2218), Janine Surovec (466-7017), Lisa Wagner (234-0574) or Peg Roy (231-0224). Anyone interested in being added to the Prayer Network to receive prayers or pray for others can contact Peg Roy at Margaret_Roy@baxter.com. Prayer Network members: If your e-mail has changed, please forward new e-mail address to Peg Roy.

Religious Education classes start Sunday, Sept. 11. Please register your child as soon as possible.

Group Leaders are needed for the 11th Grade Confirmation Class. If you can help out, please contact Deacon Lapinski at deacondcf@aol.com.



Last Week's Collection: Weekly Collection \$24,000.00 with 811 families using envelopes. Additional Missionary Co-op Collection for Haiti \$5,158.00. THANK YOU FOR BEING GOOD STEWARDS.

SVDP Thrift Store is having a Bag Clearance all this week. Help is needed on Sat., Sept. 17 starting at 9:30am for changeover.



Becoming A Catholic - If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic and looking for a church home a, please invite him or her to attend RCIA sessions held on Wednesdays 7:30pm in the Activities Center. Invitations and brochures can be found in the Gathering Space. For more information, call Mary Ann at 237-7832, ext. 239.

Homebound - If you have relatives or friends from the parish who are homebound, please notify the parish office at 237-7832 if they would like to receive Communion

Hospital/Rehab Stay - Call the Church Office at 237-7832 if you are or will be a patient at Mount Nittany Medical Center or Health South Rehab Center and wish the Eucharist brought to you. Neither facility notifies us.

The Marian Gift Shop - One volunteer is desperately needed to help with the Gift Shop on the second Sunday of each month. Please call 238-0784 or 238-6182 if you are able to help. No computer experience necessary. Summer hours continue through September, Sundays 9:00am to 11:30am. All other times, please call Rose Puchalla (238-6182) or Margaret McMurtry (238-0784) to schedule an appointment.

OLV Church Library, in the Activities Center, is open Sundays from 8:30am to 1:30pm and Wed., 6:00pm to 8:00pm. For more information, call Chuck & Maria Melchioris at 238-2164 or Pat Lutz at 466-6328. Please let us know if you would like to use the library at other times (e.g. after morning Masses).

It Is With Great Joy we welcome Jordan Elizabeth Hlivia, daughter of Joseph & Denise, to the OLV Parish Family.

Please note that James Edwin Lease, a seminarian of the Diocese of Harrisburg, is being considered for the Order of Deacon. This announcement is made in accordance with the law of the Church. If anyone knows of any reason why this person should not be ordained they have an obligation in conscience to contact the Pastor of this parish or Father Raymond J. LaVoie, Director of Vocations, as soon as possible.

Altar Flower Memorials - If you would like to donate live altar flowers to our Church in memory or in honor of a loved one or for a special occasion, call the OLV office during regular office hours (237-7832) to begin the process. An announcement of your donation will appear in the OLV bulletin, unless you direct us not to do so. A minimum donation of \$50.00 is requested.

Rosary Makers are looking for old rosaries, broken rosaries, and pieces of rosaries. Leave in the Church office for Jackie Fritton.

Faith-Sharing Group for Mothers with Young Children - Mothers with young children are invited to join an ongoing faith-sharing group that meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays from 9:30am to 11:00am in members' homes. Currently our discussion centers on a study called *Words that Heal*. Childcare is available at the group meeting. For more information contact Kathy Peters at 861-4334 or kfp1@psu.edu.

Note Date Change: Opus Dei Women's Group will meet on Wed., Sept. 14, 11:00am at the home of Karen Bord, 1151 Westerly Parkway. For directions or more information, call 238-6231.

The Power of Prayer - A few months ago I called upon our parishioners to take home the name of one or two of our teenagers and pray for him or her each day. I was happy to see when I returned from vacation last week that all their names had been taken. I have no doubt that our prayers will help our young people grow in faith and grace and meet the challenges in their lives.

Now I call upon each of us to take on another prayer intention. The people I ask you to pray for now have no names, because they haven't been born yet. You see I am asking you to "spiritually adopt" an unborn baby somewhere in the United States by praying for him or her and trusting that God will direct your prayers where they are most needed. Pray that this baby will be carried to term and that mother and child will have a healthy delivery and happy life together.

We need to pray for the unborn because in our country every year at least 1.4 million babies die by abortion. Others die as a result of inadequate prenatal medical care, poor nutrition or even violence against the mother (remember Laci Peterson). So pray for an unborn child whose life is at risk, and pray for his or her parents as well. Do not doubt that our prayers make a huge difference in these situations. [Not all can protest abortion clinics, nor can we all do problem pregnancy counseling, but we all can pray.]

Our Religious Education students and catechists will begin their "Spiritual Adoption" Program on Sunday, Sept. 11 and continue to pray for their baby until their final class in May.

Please take a prayer card from the display at the back of the Church and pray the ten-second prayer daily for your "adopted child." You are also encouraged to name your baby, to give him or her an identity. At the end of the nine-month period, on May 7, 2006, during their last class, our Religious Education Program will hold a baby shower for our spiritually adopted babies. During that weekend, at all Masses, we will hold a similar baby shower for all of our parishioners. In this way, we can also help the mother, in a very tangible way, as she brings to term a beautiful gift of life. All gifts collected at the shower will be given to the Gabriel Project for mothers in need.

On behalf of the at-risk unborn babies of our country and their parents, I thank you.

Msgr. David A. Lockard

Eucharist as Real Presence - Before I left for vacation, I wrote a little meditation on the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, focusing on the word real. Now that I have returned I shall reflect on the word presence.

As with the word real, so with the word presence: it applies to our Lord in several ways. He is seated at the right hand of the Father in heaven, so He is present there. Since He is truly divine, Christ can also rightly be said to be present everywhere. So how does Christ's presence in the Eucharist differ from these or other forms of His presence?

For me, the answer lies in two words: union and transformation. The presence of Christ in the Eucharist makes it possible for us to be united with Him physically as well as spiritually whenever we receive Holy Communion. Therefore, because of Christ's presence in the Eucharist, our union with Him in Holy Communion has the power to truly transform us. Indeed, Christ's presence transforms us slowly into other Christs! This statement would be shocking if it were not found in the Fathers of the Church. St. Augustine, for example, wrote that through the Eucharistic Communion "we become what we are" - the Body of Christ.

It is for this reason that the Church teaches that our adoration of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist must flow from and lead to our reception of the Lord's Body and Blood in Holy Communion. Our prayers and meditation before the Blessed Sacrament are to deepen in us our understanding of and longing for what should happen to us when we receive the Lord. You could say that the transubstantiation of the bread and wine in the Eucharist is only half of the miracle. The other half of the Eucharistic miracle is our personal "transubstantiation", so to speak. This second change is the purpose of the Eucharist, the reason why Christ is really present in this greatest of sacraments.

(Next week: Eucharist as Gift)



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. For information on how you can help with the Gabriel Project or be helped by it, please call 237-8784.

Parish Registration and Changes - New parishioners are always welcome. Please pick up a registration form at the Parish Office, Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-4:00pm or on Sundays after the 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30am Masses. Please advise the parish office of any change in address, telephone number or if you are moving from the parish. If you plan to be a godparent for Baptism or Confirmation or have your baby baptized, you must be a registered parishioner at Our Lady of Victory.

Landscape Committee meets on Tuesdays at 5:45pm. For questions, contact Ed Guenot at 692-2224.

K C Bingo Monday, Sept. 12, from 7:00pm to 10:00pm at the K C Club, 850 Stratford Drive, in State College. Doors open at 5:30pm. The Jackpot is \$1050 in 57 numbers and our **Magic Numbers** will pay \$300 and \$60. Only \$3.50 to play the minimum (4 cards, 20 games) or \$8.25 for the minimum plus all special games (total of 37 games).

Concession Booth Help Needed - The Knights of Columbus need help in their concession stands at Beaver Stadium for the Central Michigan football game on Sept. 17. The concession booth revenues are the primary source of funds for council charities. Kickoff for the game is 3:30pm and workers should arrive between 1:00pm and 1:30pm. High School Students can receive community service credit for work with the Knights. Call Lionel Bassett (238-7003), Bill Klucher(238-3400) or Rich Szmolko (861-5376) if you can help. If you have tickets for the game and would be willing to help at halftime, we could use your help during that rush.

Red Cross Blood Drive, sponsored by KC Council 4678 will take place at the KC Hall, 850 Stratford Drive on Tuesday, Sept. 13, 1:00pm to 7:00pm. All blood types are urgently needed!

KC Sept. Planning Meeting will be held on Wed., Sept. 14, 7:30pm in the meeting room at the Knights of Columbus Home on Stratford Drive. All Council Officers and Committee Leaders should attend this meeting. Council members are also invited to participate in this meeting defining future activities.

K of C Council First Degree Ceremony: K of C council 4678 will conduct the initiation degree for new members at 2:00pm on Sun., Sept. 18 at the K of C Hall. Current members are invited to observe the degree and to congratulate the new members at the short social that follows. The council is currently soliciting new members. If you would like to join the Knights of Columbus or would like additional information on the Knights, Please contact Chuck Melchioris (238-2164) or Lionel Bassett (238-7003).

Cub Scouts - Attention all boys in 1st – 5th grades, you are invited to join the Cub Scouts. You will meet new friends, explore the outdoors, camp and fish, play sports and build things. An informational session and sign-up will be held in the OLV gym on Friday, Sept. 23, 2005 at 7:00pm. Questions, call 861-7797. Check out <http://pack383.blogspot.com>.

Vocation Chalice - The Vocation Chalice continues to go to parishioners' homes. If you would like to pray for vocations in this special way, please contact the Rectory at 237-7832 or e-mail Mark Reid at mreid@shst.edu.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter - When was the last time you took some time to focus on your marriage? Reserve your spot today for the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to be held Nov. 4-6 at the Retreat Center in New Baltimore. Please register early. For more information, call 1-800-882-5024.

Youth Ministry

- Youth Group will meet on Monday, Sept. 12 at 6:00pm in the Youth Room.

- Corn Maze: Join us for "Arts and Mazes" at Wasson Farm Market on Sun. Sept. 18. More details to come!

- SHYCON (for high school students) will be held on Sun., Oct. 16 at St. Francis University from noon to 6:00pm. Registration begins at 11:30am.. The keynote speaker is Jesse Manibusan, a well-known musician, storyteller and comedian. He's a dynamic speaker with a powerful message for our young people. The day also includes two meals, activities and Liturgy. More information in next week's bulletin.

- Check out pictures from our camping trip at youth.olv.info.

For more information, contact Katie Murry at 404-8580 or e-mail katie@olv.info

Need Volunteers for the Children's Liturgy - Looking for an easy way to give back to God and your Church? Consider volunteering as a leader or helper for the Children's Liturgy at the 9:30am Mass. God has blessed us with such an overwhelmingly *positive* response to this new ministry that we are in desperate need of more volunteers! For more information, contact Tracy Sepich at 238-2220 or drsepich@msn.com or Kathy Peters at 861-4334 or kfp1@psu.edu.

Annual Catholic Appeal - To date, we have a total of 744 pledges with \$199,102 pledged. All monies pledged are returned to OLV for the needs of our parish. Additional pledge cards can be found in the Gathering Space. Thank you to: M/M Robert Fay.

Weekly Centering Prayer will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 13, 7:00pm in the chapel at Good Shepherd Catholic Church for those experienced in Centering Prayer who would like to pray with a group. Gathering lasts about 45 minutes. Please contact Ellen Jankowski (231-0213 or elj5@psu.edu) for more information.

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul will hold its annual dinner Thursday, Sept. 29, 2005, at Holy Name Parish in Ebensburg. The event is open to the public and will begin with Liturgy at 5:00pm. Guest speaker for the dinner is SVDP National President, Joe Flannigan. For more information about the dinner or to make reservations, call 539-4627 or 942-5732.

St. Paul's Men's Action Group - Our first meeting for the 'new year' is Saturday, Sept. 24, 7:30am in the OLV Activities Center. The focus of this meeting will be the topic of "St. Paul and Today's Catholic Man". We will also discuss the schedule/plan for the year. Men, including young men (16 and older), are welcome and encouraged to mature in their Faith with this small, but growing group. Free donuts, Starbucks coffee and collegial (that means friendly) discussions. We are up to about 13-15 men trying to grow in their knowledge of what it means to be called Catholic in today's world. Upcoming discussions will include Sexuality and Homosexuality, Abortion, Euthanasia, Modern War, Poverty, Stem Cell Research and many others.

