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# July 17, 2022 | Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



# GET IN TOUCH!

### **RECTORY OFFICE**

Monday—Friday: 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. 716-828-9444 • 716-828-9429 fax olvrectory@olvbasilica.org

### SCHOOL

Mary Doyle-Szlosek, Principal 2760 S. Park Avenue, Lackawanna 716-828-9434 elementary@olvbasilica.org www.ourladyofvictoryelementary.org

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Sunday, 7:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m. Tuesday—Thursday, 7:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m. Carmelann Zomeri, Director 2760 S. Park Avenue, Lackawanna 716-828-9437 religioused@olvbasilica.org

### GIFT SHOP AND MUSEUM

Open Daily 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. (closed 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. for lunch) James Murphy, Gift Shop Manager 716-828-9433 olvgiftshop@olvbasilica.org

# **COME & WORSHIP**

#### **BASILICA HOURS**

The Basilica is open for private prayer from 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. daily (until 7:30 p.m. on Saturdays).

#### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 8 a.m., 10 a.m., Noon, 4:30 p.m.

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday—Saturday: 7:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. There is an additional Mass at 8:15 a.m. on Fridays when school is in session.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays:

3:00—4:00 p.m. and 7:00—7:30 p.m. Eve of First Fridays: 3:00—4:00 p.m. Eve of Holy Days: 3:00—4:00 p.m.

#### **GUIDED BASILICA TOURS**

Please call the Rectory Office at 716-828-9444 if you are interested in scheduling a group tour. PAGE 02 | SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2022

# A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

### WELCOME: OUR NEW PAROCHIAL VICAR -REV. ROBERT A. CONTARIN

I am pleased to extend a warm welcome to Rev. Robert Contarin as our new Parochial Vicar to succeed Fr. Justin. The appointment of "Fr. Rob" is effective July 20, 2022 and is for a term of three years or until he receives a subsequent assignment.

Fr. Rob is a classmate of Fr. Justin and both were ordained on June 1, 2019. For the past three years Fr. Rob has served as the Parochial Vicar at St. Mark's and St. Rose of Lima Parish in North Buffalo. Fr. Rob is a very fine priest, like Fr. Justin, and I am delighted to welcome him to Our Lady of Victory Basilica Parish. I know that you will all join me in warmly welcoming Fr. Rob as he begins his priestly ministry here at OLV.

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF BUFFALO APPEAL 2022: CONGRATULATIONS & THANK YOU!

I am pleased to announce that, as of the closing date for the Catholic Charities Appeal 2022 on June 30, 2022, we successfully reached our Parish Goal here at Our Lady of Victory National Shrine & Basilica for this year's appeal, which was \$123,005.00. Due to the generosity of 273 donors, we raised \$127,318.00!

On behalf of the over 85,589 individuals and families that we serve in our immediate community of Lackawanna, I express profound gratitude and appreciation to everyone who contributed to this year's Catholic Charities Appeal. You truly bring renewed HOPE for the Hungry, the Young at Heart and people of all ages who are in need of a "hand up" rather than just a hand out! Many lives will be changed for the better because of your generosity and your compassionate concern for our neighbors in need.

I wish to express deepest gratitude and appreciation to our OLV Parish Catholic Charities Co-Chairs, Brenden & Maureen Gannon, for their inspired leadership!

God bless you all!

### CONGRATULATIONS ALTAR SERVER OF THE YEAR: NATHANIEL LINDSTROM

This past Saturday, July 9, Bishop Michael Fisher celebrated the 52nd Annual Bishop's Altar Server Awards Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral. Our parishioner, Nathaniel Lindstrom, son of Sean & Sarah Lindstrom, received the award for OLV National Shrine & Basilica. Nate is truly most deserving of this recognition for his faithful and reverent service in assisting the priests at Mass here at OLV in this important ministry as an Altar Server.

I share with you the words of Pope Francis on what it means to be an Altar Server: *"In the Eucharist and in the other sacraments, you experience the intimate closeness of Jesus, the sweetness and power of His presence. In the Eucharist, Jesus is not placed on an inaccessible high throne, but in the bread and wine. Serving at the altar is a privileged way to draw closer to Jesus, which in turn enables you to open yourselves to others, to journey together, to set demanding goals and to find the strength to achieve them."* 

—Pope Francis

I take this opportunity to encourage the young people of our parish to join Nate and our other dedicated Altar Servers in becoming an Altar Server. Anyone boy or girl who has made their First Holy Communion is most welcome. If you are interested, please contact me at the rectory and we will provide the necessary training and formation for this important ministry!

### FATHER BAKER DAY WEEKEND: AUGUST 6---7, 2022

As you know, we have a longstanding tradition here at OLV of honoring the legacy of Father Baker with "Pennies to Heaven" and other special events on the Sunday closest to Father Baker's day of death, July 29, 1936.

This year we have a fun weekend of activities planned, beginning with our first "Jazz Mass" featuring the renowned Jazz Musician Bobby Militello, on Saturday, August 6. Bobby Militello will be joined by a Jazz Quartet under the direction of Mr. Timothy Wells of St. Joseph University Parish, Buffalo and their Contemporary Ensemble Choir. There will be a Pre-Mass Jazz Concert of religious hymns beginning at 4:00 p.m. followed by the "Jazz" Mass at 4:30 p.m. You will not want to miss this spirit-filled Mass! Please invite family and friends to join you. All are welcome!

On Sunday, August 7, we will have the traditional collection of "Pennies" and other coins and monetary donations in front of the Basilica beginning at 7:30 a.m. and continuing throughout the day. We will then have our Concelebrated "Father Baker Day Mass" at 12:00 Noon, which will include the floral wreath presentation at the tomb of Father Baker by the Sisters of St. Joseph. Immediately following Mass, there will be a drive-through Chicken BBQ. For more details, please refer to this bulletin on page 4.

I sincerely hope you will join us as we honor our beloved Founder, The Venerable Nelson Baker, and his outstanding legacy that continues to this very day! Special thanks to all of our parishioners, benefactors and visitors!

May Father Baker intercede for you and Our Lady of Victory protect you and your loved ones.

GRATEFULLY, FR. DAVID

# PRAYER & WORSHIP

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# MASS INTENTIONS

## SATURDAY, JULY 16-OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

- 7:30 am Intentions for the Novena in Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Victory12:10 pm Joseph Gutt by sister, Sylvia Stepien
- 1:30 pm Wedding: Ryan Charles Pralow & Aubrey Mikayla Tennant
- 4:30 pm Louis, Ann & Donna Manzo by Frank & Jean Dulak

### SUNDAY, JULY 17-SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am	James, Frances & Mary Kathryn Schaffer by Estate
10:00 am	Robert & Janet Gawel by the Gawel Family
12:00 pm	David L. Ventura by Patricia Mazur
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4:30 pm Eric Brege by Aunt Chris, Kathy & Maureen

### MONDAY, JULY 18-SAINT CAMILLUS DE LELLIS, PRIEST

7:30 am All Souls Intentions Laurie Ann Fabi by John & Mary Ann Tiberio & Family
12:10 pm Anthony M. Scaccia by Michael McGillicuddy

### TUESDAY, JULY 19-WEEKDAY

7:30 am	Anthony & Mary Mikos by Dave & Marsha Lipke Florence Mills by son, David Mills
12:10 pm	Joseph & Sophie Piotrowski by son, Stanley V. Piotrowski Paul Strycharz by Friends

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 20-SAINT APOLLINARIS, BISHOP AND MARTYR

7:30 am	For the People of the Parish
	Janet Curtin Nostrant by OLV Girls Class of 1955
12:10 pm	Grandma & Grandpa Kropczynski by Family Joseph Jarnot, Sr. by daughter Lisa Jarnot

### THURSDAY, JULY 21-ST. LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI, PRIEST & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

 7:30 am OLV Spiritual Association Members Christopher Bigelow by Lynn Yannazio
 12:10 pm Carole Hageman by Ron & Mary Hageman

### FRIDAY, JULY 22—SAINT MARY MAGDALENE

7:30 am	Msgr. Michael E. DelVecchio by Mary Miller Maria B. Nowacki by David & Shari Hore
12:10 pm	Thomas and Brian Raiff by the Raiff Family Dorothy "Dee" Seufert by Linda Smolen

### SATURDAY, JULY 23—SAINT BRIDGET, RELIGIOUS

- 7:30 am Patricia Margerum by Rosemary Scahill
- 12:10 pmRichard & Jeanne Ranno (Anniversary of Death) by the Ranno & Nelsen Family1:30 pmWedding: John James Magers & Maureen Kelly Stanton
- 4:30 pm Berenice McMahon (Birthday Remembrance) by Family

## SUNDAY, JULY 24-SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am	Albin & Marie Fiust by Tim & Dawn Fiust-Klink
10:00 am	Nancy Shea Bowers by the Bure Family
12:00 pm	Howard A. Lehman by Rev. Msgr. David G. LiPuma
4:30 pm	Ronald "Ron" Handzlik (Birthday Remembrance) by sister, Linda Klice



# CENTENNIAL PRAYER

Loving God, we thank you for the faith, vision and heroic ministry of Venerable Nelson Baker, who entrusted his full confidence to the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Victory.

As we celebrate the Centennial of our Basilica, may it continue to be a place of healing prayer, inspiration for the conversion of hearts, and encouragement for charitable service to those in need.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

*Our Lady of Victory, pray for us!* 

# PARISH NEWS

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# JOIN US IN PRAYER

## TELEVISED AND ONLINE MASSES

The Basilica's Sunday Mass is available each weekend online at **olvbasilica.org** by clicking on the link that will appear in the popup box, or by selecting *Digital Mass Archive*. The Sunday Mass is also televised on WGRZ Ch. 2 at 11:00 am each Sunday.

Our daily 12:10 pm Masses (Monday—Saturday) are livestreamed. To view the live Masses, go to **olvbasilica.org** and click the "Live Streaming" button in the top right corner.

## PRAY THE ROSARY

### Tuesday Evenings at 6:00 pm

All are welcome to join in praying the Rosary for Peace on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 pm in the Basilica.

## JOIN OUR PRAYER GROUP

# Tuesday Evenings at 6:30 pm on July 19 and 26

Join our "Victory for Christ" prayer group in the Basilica's lower level chapel to praise, thank, and give witness to God.

# EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

### Friday Afternoons

Join us each week for Eucharistic Adoration in the Basilica each Friday after the 12:10 pm Mass until 5:00 pm.



—Sunday, August 7, 2022—

## WE NEED YOU!

Pennies to Heaven is right around the corner. Volunteers are needed to sell tickets at Masses prior to the event and to help out with the drive-through chicken barbecue on Sunday, August 7. To keep these special traditions alive, we need the help of as many volunteers as possible, so please call the Rectory today at 716-828-9444 and become a part of what we hope will be the best Pennies event yet.

Also this year, we are once again asking for donations of scratch-off lottery tickets of any dollar amount. You can drop them off at the rectory or simply place them in the weekend collection basket at Mass. These will be used to create our raffle prize—a wreath of lottery tickets. Thank you for your continued support!

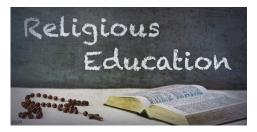
# DRIVE-THRU CHICKEN BBQ:

Nothing goes better with summer than BBQ! This year, the drive-thru will be open on August 7 between 1:00— 5:00 pm (or until we are sold out). Dinners are \$15 and include a half chicken, potato, coleslaw, and a roll from Masters BBQ. Pick ups will be in the parking lot behind the Basilica. **Tickets are available at the rectory beginning Monday, July 18.** The rectory office is open on:

Monday—Friday	8:30 am—1:00 pm
	2:00 pm—4:30 pm
Saturday	9:00 am—4:00 pm

## RAFFLE TICKETS:

Raffle tickets to win a prize of a wreath of scratch-off lottery tickets will also be available. The raffle chances are two tickets for \$5 or five tickets for \$10. Raffle tickets will also be available at the rectory office.



We are currently enrolling for the Sunday morning program for students who attend public schools and are in 1st through 9th grade.

Classes will begin in October and run through April 2023. Classes start at 8:40 a.m. and end at 9:50 a.m. The times are set this way so families can either attend the 8:00 a.m. or 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. Please call our office at 716-828-7494 if you have any questions.

### MRS. CARM ZOMERI, DRE

# ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

There are many adult Catholics who have not been Confirmed. Besides the fact that they have not been received into the full initiation of the Catholic faith it becom



Catholic faith, it becomes a problem when they want to serve as godparents/sponsors for Baptism/Confirmation.

If you are a practicing adult Catholic (that is, go to Communion, and if married, married according to the Rite of the Catholic Church) and have completed high school (high school students should be in our teen Confirmation program), consider attending our catechism review classes.

For questions, more information, or to register, please call Father Romulus at 716-828-9425.

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# COMMUNITY EVENTS

# POLISH DINNER

### Sunday, July 24 • 1:00—4:00 p.m. VFW Post 898, 2909 South Park Avenue, Lackawanna

The OLV Columbiettes and Altar & Rosary Society are hosting a Polish Dinner at VFW Post 898. Dine in or take out. Includes golumbki, kielbasa, pierogi, kapusta, rye bread. Cost is \$20. Tickets available at the VFW or from Mary Anne Jackson (716-864-0747). Proceeds benefit the Ukrainian American Freedom Foundation (UAFF); visit **ukrainiansofbuffalo.com** for info. Donations of baby products, socks, and medical supplies. may be dropped off at the VFW on July 24 and will be forwarded to Holy Trinity Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Cheektowaga.

### LACKAWANNA CLASS OF 1967—55 YEAR REUNION

### Friday, July 29 • 5:00 p.m. J's White Elephant 1404 Abbott Road, Lackawanna

The Lackawanna Class of 1967 is hosting a casual cocktail party for their 55th year reunion. Tickets are \$25. Contact Tina Gambino at 716-597-6043 by July 22 if interested in attending.

## **BBQ CHICKEN DINNER**

### Sunday, July 31 • Noon—5:00 p.m. St. Francis of Assisi Social Center 4263 St. Francis Drive, Hamburg

St. Francis Parish, Athol Springs is hosting a Weidner's Chicken BBQ Dinner. \$14 per dinner. Eat in or take out. Theme baskets, duck pond, and lotto squares also available. For questions, please call 716-627-2710.

### CATHOLIC FERTILITY CARE CENTER OF WNY

The Creighton Model FertilityCare System offers couples a scientifically sound and morally acceptable way to understand their fertility and plan their family. Whether trying to achieve or avoid pregnancy, this system enables couples to be proactive about their health. Introductory sessions will be held at Sisters Hospital, Buffalo on 7/23, 8/27, and 9/24 at 10:30 am. Call 716-862-1944 for questions or to register.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SUMMER SWEEPSTAKES

### Sunday, August 7

Fr. Baker Council #2243 of the Knights of Columbus is holding a Summer Sweepstakes (limited to 300 tickets) and winners will be drawn on 8/7. First prize is \$4,000, followed by prizes of \$1,500, \$1,000 and two \$500 prizes. Seller of first place winning ticket also wins \$500. Cost is \$50/ticket. Buy one, share the cost with someone else, try to sell one to a friend! Proceeds benefit our Council's charities. Contact Fred Bradley (716-785-1702) or John Radwan (716-675-1804) for tickets. Only 300 are available; don't wait to get yours!

## ST. MARTIN OF TOURS SCHOOL—CLASS OF 1962

A 60th Reunion is being planned for the 1962 Grade 8 Class of St. Martin's School, to be held on September 27 at the Brick Oven Bistro, 904 Abbott Road, from 1:00—4:00 p.m. If you were a member of the class or know someone who was, please email name(s) and contact info to Terry Siuta at tasiuta@gmail.com or call 716-771-6026. More details will be shared at that time. We look forward to reconnecting with our classmates!

# **DIOCESAN SYNOD**

Are you curious about what over 800 people in our Diocese said about the future of the Church? The Synod report is here! During the last five months, the Synod team from our Diocese conducted 35 Listening Sessions and created a 10-page report which is available for you to read at **buffalodiocese.org/** synod. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide our Synodal journey.



# OLV ELEMENTARY

OLV Elementary School has provided students with a vibrant, safe, and nurturing environment for more than 120 years! Whether in classrooms, computer labs, or sports fields, our teachers shape the leaders of tomorrow and provide the building blocks for unlocking each child's vast potential.

OLV offers small class sizes, spiritual formation, and a proven track record of preparing children for high school and life! Additionally, we offer a morning / after school care program to further the social and educational development of our children. OLV is a licensed STREAM institution that has a forward-thinking curriculum that focuses on Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics.

For more information or to schedule a tour, please call our school office at 716-828-9434.



# OUR COMMUNITY

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# WE ARE GRATEFUL!

In order to continue to maintain our beautiful Basilica and to support the mission and ministries of our parish, including our school, we depend on weekly offertory donations.

Offertory envelopes can be mailed or dropped off at the Rectory Office at:

767 Ridge Road Lackawanna, NY 14218.

For easy online giving, please go to https://olvbasilica.weshareonline.org.

We are very grateful for your ongoing support of Our Lady of Victory Basilica!

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2022

## PARISH COLLECTIONS

Weekly	\$9,189.00
Weekly Online	\$1,750.00
Monthly	\$92.00
Holy Day: Ascension (5/26)	\$20.00
Pennies to Heaven	\$291.00
Shrine / Votive Candles	\$2,037.00
ADDITIONAL COLLECTIONS	
Altar & Rosary Society	\$10.00
Catholic Communication Camp.	\$30.00
Total	\$13,419.00

### YTD FINANCIAL POSITION— JUNE 30, 2022 (10 months)

### **OLV PARISH**

Revenue	\$997,471
Less Expenses	\$1,664,987
Net Surplus (Loss)	(\$667,516)
OLV ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	

Parish Net Surplus (Loss) (	
Subsidy from Parish	(\$542,910)
Less Expenses	\$1,060,897
Revenue	\$517,987

\*\* Currently, OLV Charities is providing deficit funding to cover this loss.



Support our parish today using your debit, credit cards, checking, or savings accounts.



Go to: olvbasilica.weshareonline.org

Select the collection or event of your choice.

Set up your donation or payment. That's it!



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# MINISTRY SCHEDULE –

## EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

## Saturday, July 23

Saturday, July 25	
4:30 pm	Kathy Clark; Kevin Magner; Mary Stenzel
Sunday, J	uly 24
8:00 am	Mary Check; Rick Grasso; Ryan Harrington
10:00 am	Frances Dehlinger; Terrence McCann; Christopher Swan
12:00 pm	Bob McDonough; Linda Smolen; Jon Trabucco
4:30 pm	Stefan Gelle; Mary Anne Jackson; Gregory Stachowski

### LECTORS

Saturday, July 23 4:30 pm Samantha Saunders

### Sunday, July 24

8:00 am Russ Plandowski10:00 am Christopher Swan12:00 pm Mickey Kipler4:30 pm Stefan Gelle



