



# OUR LADY OF VICTORY NATIONAL SHRINE AND BASILICA

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## *Sunday, November 4, 2018 - Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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**PAROCHIAL VICARS:** Rev. Samuel T. Giangreco, Jr.  
Rev. Romulus Rosolowski, OFM Conv.

**DEACONS:** Deacon Michael V. Comerford  
Deacon Mario Racho

**RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed

**SUNDAY MASSES:**

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (Folk Mass),  
Noon (Choir), 4:30 p.m.

**HOLY DAY MASSES:** Please see bulletin

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.)  
8:15 a.m. (Monday, Friday during School Year)

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:**

Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m. and 7:00-7:30 p.m.  
Eve of Holy Day: 3:00-4:00 p.m.  
Eve of First Friday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.

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**GIFT SHOP and MUSEUM HOURS:**

Daily 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

**ROSARY:** Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

**Sacrament of Baptism:**

Our Parish offers a special Pre-Baptism preparation program for parents who desire to share their faith with their children. Parents-to-be must attend this class prior to the birth of their child. Baptisms are usually scheduled two times each month. Call the Rectory to register for classes. Godparents must be Confirmed and practicing Catholics. Non-parishioners are required to have a Letter of Recommendation to serve as a sponsor.

**Sacrament of Marriage:**

To be married in the Basilica, you must be an active parishioner for at least 9 months prior to setting a date. Engaged couples should contact the pastor before making other wedding arrangements. Couples are required to attend a Pre-Cana Conference, or equivalent pre-marriage preparation program.

**Letters of Recommendation:**

Recommendations to act as sponsors for Baptism or Confirmation can be issued only to registered members of Our Lady of Victory Parish who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation, attend Mass and receive Holy Communion regularly, have their children attending a Catholic school or Religious Education class. If married, the marriage must be in conformity with the regulations of the Catholic Church.

**Devotions:**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins immediately after the 12:10 p.m. Mass in the Basilica on Fridays and concludes with Benediction at 5:00 p.m.

**First Friday:**

On the eve of the First Friday of each month there are confessions from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Mass is celebrated at 7:30 p.m. on First Friday.

**Care of the Sick:**

Please notify the rectory office for a visit to any family member who is sick, in the hospital or confined to home. Regular home Communion visits are usually on the First Friday of the month by a priest, deacon, or minister of the Eucharist.

**Tours:**

To schedule a tour of Our Lady of Victory Basilica, please contact Dianne Bosinski, Tours & Basilica Programs by email at [dbosinski@ourladyofvictory.org](mailto:dbosinski@ourladyofvictory.org) or by phone at (716) 828-9424.

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**Coffee and donuts are available after all the Sunday morning Mass this weekend.** Due to some repairs to the Marian Room, coffee and donuts will be held **in the Music Room** on the lower level of the Basilica until further notice.

**Thanks for all the prayers for my speedy recovery.** I began physical therapy last Friday. Hopefully this PT will help. The lumbar stenosis makes it difficult to stand and walk for more than a few minutes at a time, although I am doing better - slowly. Keep praying. Your prayers help a lot.

**November is a busy month.** Here are a few things you may want to keep in mind for the weeks ahead:

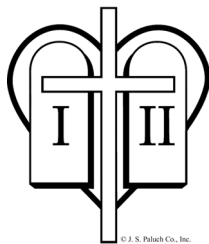
- ◆ Monday, November 5 – Parish Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – OLV School Cafeteria
- ◆ Monday, November 5 – Liturgy Committee Meeting – 8:00 p.m. – OLV School Cafeteria
- ◆ Monday, November 12 – Veterans Day
- ◆ Friday, November 16 – St Vincent de Paul Society to pack Thanksgiving food bags – Rectory Garage – Volunteers welcome to assist
- ◆ Saturday, November 17 – St. Vincent de Paul Society to deliver Thanksgiving food bags – Rectory Garage – Volunteers welcome to assist
- ◆ Saturday and Sunday, November 17 and 18 – Altar and Rosary Baked Goods Sale – Lower Level of the Basilica
- ◆ Thursday, November 22 – Thanksgiving Day – Masses at 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. The 10:00 a.m. Mass will include our Annual Food Procession. Collection from both Masses on Thanksgiving goes to our St. Vincent de Paul Society, to help them care for the needs of the poor in our area.
- ◆ Sunday, November 25 – Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus “Messiah” – 7:30 p.m. – Upper Level of the Basilica. Tickets are available through the Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus Ticket Office, or at the door on the evening of the performance

May Jesus bless you and Our Lady of Victory watch over you.

*Father Paul*



**Pray for the canonization of our founder,  
Venerable Nelson Baker**



**Summary of the Readings**  
**Thirty-first Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**

God's laws are not intended to burden or torment us. Instead they are guideposts that point us in the direction of good living. Accordingly, good living requires loving God and loving one another. We should not follow God's laws out of fear of what might happen if we don't, but rather view them as a foundation for building relationships and trust with one another and with God.

The *Shema* prayer of Orthodox Jews is based on the reading from Deuteronomy today, "Hear, O Israel." Every morning people recite the prayer as a profession of their love for God and pledge their obedience to God throughout the day. They pass on their love of God to their children, from one generation to the next. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

**MassSchedule**  
 Week of November 4, 2018

**Saturday, November 3**

4:30 Casimir M. Slaski & Family by Estate

**Sunday, November 4—Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Alice M. Sturckler by The Sturckler Family  
 10:00 Neil Milks by Michael & Marjorie Haggerty  
 12:00 Living & Dec. Members of the Altar & Rosary Society  
 4:30 Sophie "Gerry" Handzlik by Daughter, Linda Klice

**Monday, November 5**

7:30 John Idzior  
 8:15 For the People of the Parish  
 12:10 Esther Wilk by Joanne Scofield  
 Minnie Rose Speicher by Bill & Mary Ann O'Rourke

**Tuesday, November 6**

7:30 To Honor St. Joseph by Carmen Kozlowski  
 Gregory Mytych (Living) by Barbara Mytych  
 12:10 Andrew & Josephine Donofori by Mary Mach  
 Teresa Butler by Florence Burke  
 7:30 Ann Tarnowski by Pat & Ed Jarosz (in Chapel)

**Wednesday, November 7**

7:30 Our Lady of Victory Spiritual Society Intentions  
 12:10 George Maskaluk by Wife, Irene, Son, James &  
 Daughter-in-law, Amy  
 Dorene Kania by Audrey & Michael Dreczka

**Thursday, November 8**

7:30 Ann Torter Steve by Family of Diane Romance  
 12:10 Dec. Mem. of the Legion of Mary  
 Mary Jo Guenther by Ray & Patty Jakubowski

**Friday, November 9—The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

7:30 Our Lady of Victory Golden Treasury Intentions  
 Natalie Stachowski by Son, Gregory Stachowski  
 8:15 Jean Zyglis (Birthday) by Family  
 12:10 Deacon Frank Shaughnessy by Barb Shaughnessy & Fam.  
 Candice Nowatzki McLean by Dad, Bob Nowatzki  
 7:00 Life in the Spirit Closing Mass

**Saturday, November 10—St. Leo the Great**

7:30 Florence Galante by Tom Benevento  
 12:10 Health for Jeremiah Smith by Mother, Debra Smith  
 1:30 Wedding: Mark Anthony DiGiore, Jr. & Caitlin Ann Carlucci  
 4:30 Edna P. Hergert by Daughter, Donna Bohan

**Sunday, November 11—Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society  
 10:00 All Veterans by The Szucko Family  
 12:00 Charlie, Kay, Mary & Meg Friedman by Family  
 4:30 Remembrance of All Veterans by The Slaski Estate



**Weekend of November 10-11**

**Lectors:**

**Saturday, November 10**

4:30 p.m.—S. Puckhaber

**Sunday, November 11**

8:00 a.m.—N. Tobin

10:00 a.m.—No Lector—Children's Liturgy

12:00 p.m.—J. Howell

4:30 p.m.—W. O'Rourke

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**Saturday, November 10**

4:30 p.m.—Jackson, R.&D. McDonough

**Sunday, November 11**

8:00 a.m.—M. McCann, Twist

10:00 a.m.—Dehlinger, Osborne, Powers, T. Wing

12:00 p.m.—Bonafede, Negron, Smolen, Trabucco

4:30 p.m.—Rick Grasso, Jackson, Stachowski

**Servers:**

**Saturday, November 10**

4:30 p.m.—D.M. Bush, A. Pavlovich, A. Mateer

**Sunday, November 11**

8:00 a.m.—M. Wietchy, R. Harrington, V. Trojanovic

10:00 a.m.—N. Lindstrom, K. Pietrkiewicz,  
 M.N. Powers (MC=K. Thompson)

12:00 p.m.—R. Litwin, T. Sitarek, A. Grinder  
 (MC=C. Carroccia)

4:30 p.m.—B. Gwozdz, D.N. Clark, M. McNatty  
 (MC= S. Saunders)

**Tours: November 11:** Frank D'Avanzato & Linda Rayburg



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### **Sunday, November 4—Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Catholic University Collection*

*Coffee & Donuts after Morning Masses (Music Room)*

8:40 a.m. Religious Ed Classes (1-9)

11:00 a.m. Altar & Rosary Society Meeting (Mus R)

1:00 p.m. Baptisms (Bas)

### **Monday, November 5**

7:00 p.m. Folk Group Practice (Mus R)

7:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting (Caf)

8:00 p.m. Liturgy Committee Meeting (Caf)

### **Tuesday, November 6**

*Rectory closes at 2:45 p.m. (Staff Meeting)*

7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting (R)

7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Caf)

7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace (Bas)

7:30 p.m. Mass, Prayer Group Meeting (SC) (Mus R)

### **Wednesday, November 7**

6:15 p.m. Pre-Baptism Class (Mus R)

### **Thursday, November 8**

1:00 p.m. Legion of Mary Meeting (SC)

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Mus R)

### **Friday, November 9—The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

1:00-5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Bas)

2:00-3:00 p.m. Pro-Life Holy Hour (IH)

7:00 p.m. Life in the Spirit Closing Mass (Bas)

### **Saturday, November 10—St. Leo the Great**

9:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy Practice (Mus R)

3:00-4:00 & 7:00-7:30 p.m. Confessions

### **Sunday, November 11—Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

NO Religious Ed Classes

10:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy (Bas); Reception (Mus R)

1:00-7:00 p.m. Spaghetti Dinner (Caf)

### **Spaghetti Dinner and Big Ticket Raffle**

*The OLV Service Club, Today's Leaders, is holding a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser in the OLV Elementary School on Sunday, November 11, from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m.* All proceeds benefit the service club's work to help the community. Dinners are \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 10 and under, Veterans and anyone that brings a new, unwrapped toy for the foster children in our Homes of Charity. Desserts will be sold separately. Our big ticket items include a Sabres Package (Dahlin Jersey, size Youth XL with 2 tickets to the January 8, 2019 Sabres game vs the Devils) and a \$200 Lotto basket which includes \$100 in cash. Raffle tickets for the Big Ticket items will be on sale after Masses this weekend and next, as well as at the Spaghetti Dinner next Sunday. For more information, please contact kathrynschultz@hotmail.com.

I would like to extend our heartfelt *thanks to everyone who supported the Athletic Association Meat Raffle*. It was a great night with almost \$8,000.00 made for our school sports program. Thank you, Mr. Diamond and Mrs. Lynn Sitarek, for your hard work in running this event. Thank you to our coaches and our volunteers for assisting!

*Mary Bellet was the winner of the Florida vacation trip*. Thank you to all who purchased a ticket.

#### ***Important Dates to Note:***

- ◆ November 4: Youth Group Meeting, Father Baker's Helping Hands - 5:30 p.m.
- ◆ November 5: Early dismissal at 1:00 p.m. for faculty meeting. Dress down for \$1.00 for Catholic Charities.
- ◆ November 8: Field Trip for grades K-1 - Farm to Table at the Hamburg Fairgrounds.



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### **Children's Liturgy Sunday, November 11 ~ 10:00 a.m.**

November is a month both for remembering those who have gone before us and for thanks. Our next *Sunday Children's Liturgy* will take place on *Sunday, November 11, at 10:00 a.m.* As always, there will be a social hour after Mass in the Music Room. Donations of baked goods, home-made or store-bought, are appreciated! *Practice* for this liturgy will take place on *Saturday, November 10*, in the *Music Room*. Singers practice from 9:00 till 9:45 a.m. All others practice from 9:45 till 10:30 a.m.

Ministers for this Mass are:

**Readers:** Liam Sokolik, Madelyn Powers

**Collectors:** Devan Harden, Kathryn Powers

**Gift Bearers:** (No one yet)

**Greeters:** (No one yet)

**Singers:** Noah Takacs

We still need a reader, 2 collectors, 2 gift bearers, greeters and more singers! Please call Tina Hatem at 826-5075 if your child would like to volunteer as a minister, or with any questions. *It is also very important to call if your child is on the list and cannot make it to Mass or to practice!*

We look forward to seeing all of you. We are also eager to meet new friends. If you and your family have never been to a Children's Liturgy, please come. We always have room for more!



### Sunday, October 28th

Weekly:	\$	11,718.60
Monthly:	\$	95.00
Total:	\$	11,813.60
Shrines	\$	1,617.22
Pennies	\$	96.59
World Missions	\$	210.00
All Saints	\$	81.00
All Souls	\$	187.00
Fuel	\$	20.00
Immaculate Conc.	\$	10.00
Christmas	\$	15.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	5.00

### Wedding Banns

Mark Anthony DiGiore & Caitlin Ann Carlucci

### Pray for the Dead

Please remember in your prayers those who have died: *Mary Janice Daley, John Paul Balsavage, James Brock, Kenneth Strell, Sr., Mary T. Carr, Dorothy Zimmerman, John F. "Jack" Mahoney, Victoria Usiak, Kenneth M. Wilk, Etienne, Corvalli, William Warda and James Babcock.*

### Care for Creation

The **next meeting** of the Care for Creation group **will be on Monday, November 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the Marian Room** on the lower level of the Basilica. If you would like more information regarding this group, please contact Bob and Darlene McDonough at [mcdonoughdar@aol.com](mailto:mcdonoughdar@aol.com).

### Prison Ministry

***It's that time of year when we collect cards (Christmas or all occasion cards) for the Men's Prison. We also need calendars with no wire on them.*** We will be collecting these from now until January, 2019. Your help is greatly appreciated. This is a work of mercy. You may leave cards and calendars at the Rectory or call Mary Anne Jackson at 864-0747 for pick up.

### Baker Victory Services Angel Tree

Baker Victory Services will provide names, ages and gift ideas from boys and girls in our area that would not have Christmas without your help. Please watch for the tree which will be put up in the Basilica in the coming weeks.

***The program for adults who wish to become Catholic or Fully Initiated Catholic (RCIA), is beginning Sunday, November 18.*** If you or someone you know wishes to become Catholic or fully initiated, please have them call or email Father Sam at 716-828-9428 or [sgiangreco@ourladyofvictory.org](mailto:sgiangreco@ourladyofvictory.org). ***Please note:*** Father Sam's computer deleted all of his contacts, so if you were expecting a call from him, please re-contact him, as he no longer has your information.



***The OLV St. Vincent de Paul Society will be distributing food to the needy in our community for the Thanksgiving holiday.*** If you are interested in doing a little to make a big difference, please consider joining us...no experience is necessary! ***We could use help packing 200 bags of food on Friday, November 16, at 10:00 a.m. On Saturday, November 17, we could use people/families willing to drive their cars to deliver those bags to Lackawanna homes.***

For more information, call the rectory at 828-9444 and leave a message for the St. Vincent de Paul Society and a member will call you back.

You can also help your neighbors by placing non-perishable food (especially a protein such a peanut butter or tuna) in the bins at the entrances to the church. We can also use the "paper in plastic bags" you get from the supermarket. Thank you.

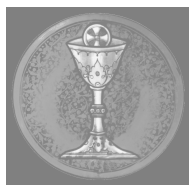


### Bake Sale

The ***Altar & Rosary Society Bake Sale*** will be held ***on Saturday and Sunday, November 17 and 18***, before and after Masses. Parishioners are invited to help by donating baked goods. If you are unable to bake, please consider donating money to help us keep our Basilica looking beautiful.

### Christmas Party

The Altar & Rosary Society will be having our ***Christmas Party*** and fundraiser on ***December 2, 2018***. We invite parishioners to help us by donating ***Chinese Auction baskets*** or any supplies we can use for baskets. Your donation may be brought to the Rectory. Remember, proceeds go toward items for the Basilica and Masses for deceased members. Please help us make Our Lady of Victory shine!



### The Traveling Chalice

Would you like to host the *“Traveling Chalice”* in your home to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

Father Sam invites families with school-aged (including college-aged) children still living at home, to bring his personal chalice home for a week to help promote vocations through brief prayer each evening with your family.

The week begins with the presentation of the chalice at the end of a Saturday evening or Sunday Mass, and may be concluded with Father Sam celebrating a Mass in your home on the following Friday evening. **Please contact Father Sam** at the rectory at 716-828-9428 or [sgiangreco@ourladyofvictory.org](mailto:sgiangreco@ourladyofvictory.org) **for more information or to sign –up.**

### Young Adult News

Ever feel like you’re the only one who believes this stuff? You’re not alone! Are you between the ages of 18 and 39? **There are two groups of young adults who meet regularly to build community, growing in faith and friendship.**

**“Frassati WNY” meets on Tuesdays in Our Lady of Pompeii School** in Lancaster for Scripture, discussion, and prayer, along with offering opportunities for various social and service activities. The Frassati link is to a closed group on Facebook, so please request to join!

**“[re] Young Adult Ministry” meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at St. Benedict’s in Amherst** for live praise & worship, a witness talk, and prayer, followed by fellowship.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/257158691085077/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/we.are.re/>



### Vocation Thought Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Of all that God commands us, loving Him and loving each other is paramount. How is God calling you to share your love? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. Check out the “Priest of the Month” stories at [www.buffalovocations.org](http://www.buffalovocations.org).

### AREA HAPPENINGS

#### 1954 Graduates of Our Lady of Victory Academy:

**Next year will be our 65th anniversary.** We would like to hear from you so a casual get-together can be planned for 2019 to renew old friendships and memories. All reunion suggestions and help in updating our class list information would be appreciated. Please contact: John Twist at 716-822-2153, Fran Skipper Riter at 716-941-9074 or Helen Plunkett at 716-312-0235.

**Meat Raffle** on **Saturday, November 10, at Father Baker Knights of Columbus**, 2838 South Park Avenue, Lackawanna. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. First spin of the wheel at 7:00 p.m. Entry fee of \$5.00 per person gets you a roast beef sandwich, draft beer and soda pop. There will be a 50/50 raffle and door prizes. Music provided by “Nichel City Road Show.” No children allowed; no alcohol allowed to be brought into the hall. High energy atmosphere!

**Is He Dead?** The **St. Francis High School Players** will present **Is He Dead?** a play by Mark Twain, on **Saturday, November 10, at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 11, at 2:00 p.m.** in Alumni Hall Theater on the Hamburg campus. Tickets are \$7.00 and available at the door for general seating.

**Ukrainian Bazaar** sponsored by St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, on **November 17 and 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Matthew Glab Post**, 1965 Abbott Road, Lackawanna. Pierogi, cabbage rolls, baked goods and over 300 theme baskets

**Catholic Cemetery Moment:** The first Sunday in November has traditionally been designated as “Cemetery Sunday.” This special day reminds all of us of the importance of continued prayer for our beloved dead and to also remember those faithful departed who may have no one to pray for them. They can best be remembered by visiting a Catholic cemetery, one of our most sacred places.

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in your will.***



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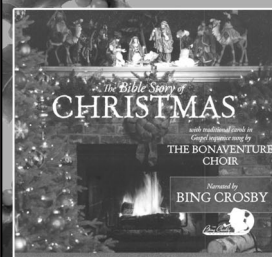
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