

June 14, 2026 | Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



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The Basilica is open for private prayer every day during the following hours:

**Sunday: 6:45 a.m.—6:00 p.m.**

**Monday-Friday: 6:45 a.m.—7:00 p.m.**

**Saturday: 6:45 a.m.—7:30 p.m.**

### 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:** (except Holy Saturday)

3:00—4:00 p.m. and 7:00—7:30 p.m.

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**Eve of Holy Days: 3:00—4:00 p.m.**

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

### DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

Thank you to Our Lady of Victory and Fr. Baker for an absolutely amazing celebration weekend for the 100th Anniversary of the Consecration of the Basilica on May 30 & 31! The weather was perfect and our Centennial Gala and Mass were wonderful events. What a fitting way to conclude our 2021-2026 celebration! The power of their intercession was truly present throughout the weekend.

I extend profound thanks and deepest appreciation to David Kersten and our entire OLV Charities Team for their exemplary leadership during the entire Centennial Celebration, as well as Cindy Lee and our OLV Human Services Leadership Team for daily carrying forward Father Baker's legacy of dedicated service to the children, youth, and families entrusted to our care. In addition, I am deeply grateful to the members of our construction team and all the craftsmen for their artistic creativity in restoring the Basilica to the breathtaking magnificence it had when Father Baker built it one hundred years ago.

Thank you to all who organized and attended our Gala Celebration at the Statler on Saturday evening. To our co-chair couples, Joe & Beth Ieraci and Jeff & Jeanne Magavern, our Honorary Chair Helene Russo and in memory of Dr. John Twist, and to the members of the Centennial Planning Committee, I am profoundly grateful! Thank you also to all who prepared for and participated in our special liturgy on Sunday afternoon with Bishop Fisher, including Peter Gonciarz, Director of Music and Organist, our Basilica Choir and instrumentalists, ushers, greeters, and other liturgical ministers. Events like these take the work of many individuals and, from the bottom of my heart, I offer my sincerest thanks and deepest appreciation to each and every one of you!

I also want to express my sentiments of deepest gratitude and appreciation to all of our devoted parishioners and

generous donors and benefactors for all that you have done and continue to do for our Basilica Parish. My heart is truly overflowing with gratitude for the gifts of your time, talent and treasure.

As we continue to gather here in Father Baker's "City of Charity" and as we honor Our Lady of Victory, may we also follow Father Baker, the human cornerstone of our magnificent Basilica and truly a pioneer of social justice. May we all recommit ourselves to do as Father Baker did: inflame our hearts and lives with compassion for the poor, justice for the oppressed, hope for the troubled, and courage to those in doubt. May we ensure that what has been entrusted to us, Our Lady of Victory National Shrine & Basilica and all the Human Services we provide, continues to be a beacon of hope for all and the triumph of victory to all who come to us in their time of need. May Father Baker intercede for us and Our Lady of Victory protect us! God bless you and your loved ones!

### MISSION COOPERATIVE APPEAL:

Next weekend, we will welcome Rev. Augustine Dad from the Society of St. Peter. He comes to us from Nigeria and will preach at all our June 20-21 weekend Masses. This mission appeal is part of the Missionary Cooperative Program of our Diocese of Buffalo. Please be generous with your prayers and contribute to this special collection to help support the missionary community. **There are three ways to donate:**

- **place your contribution in any blank envelope and label it *Mission Appeal***
- **contribute online at [olvbasilica.org](http://olvbasilica.org) (click *Give—Special Collections—* and choose *Mission Co-Op* collection**
- **use the preprinted *Mission Co-Op* envelope in your new offertory packet when it arrives** (dated July 12)

Thank you in advance for your help!

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL:

As you know, our Parish Goal here at Our Lady of Victory National Shrine &

Basilica for this year's appeal is \$172,709. **To date, we have raised \$147,827 from 251 donors, which is 86% of our parish goal.** I thank all those who have contributed thus far. There is still time to make a gift, as the appeal continues through the end of June. To contribute, **mail in your donor card to Appeal 2026, donate online at [ccwny.org](http://ccwny.org), or text HOPE4WNY to 44321.** Please identify yourself as a parishioner of OLV National Shrine & Basilica, so our parish is credited to ensure we make our goal.

Catholic Charities is a beacon of HOPE for individuals, children, and families in need across the eight counties of WNY. You too can make a difference in the lives of those who are in need of assistance! Every donation (large or small) makes a difference.

### SAVE THE DATE FOR PENNIES TO HEAVEN: Weekend of August 1 & 2

This year will again be a two-day celebration! On Saturday, we will have our first annual Car Show at 3:00 p.m. and our annual Jazz Mass at 4:30 p.m., followed by a 6:00 p.m. outdoor performance by Tim Britt, a Buffalo singer-songwriter. Sunday will feature the traditional Pennies to Heaven coin drop, a Noon Mass to honor Father Baker and celebrate his legacy, and a Chiavetta's Chicken BBQ. Both days will include live entertainment, a basket raffle, split club raffle, silent auction, food and beverages, and an expanded Kids' Zone. Proceeds help continue the good work of our founder, Venerable Nelson Baker, through our OLV parish and school.

Next weekend's bulletin will include an insert with details about all the events and activities, including ways to get involved and volunteer in the weekend fun. All are welcome!

May Our Lady of Victory protect you, and may Almighty God bless you abundantly with His love and peace.

**GRATEFULLY,  
FATHER DAVID**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, JUNE 13—The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church

- 7:30 am Joseph B. Miller by Jeff & Mia Banks  
12:10 pm Dianne Davison by the Kind, Colasanti, Mol, and Flynn Families  
1:30 pm **Wedding: Madeline Stoklosa and Jacob DiJoseph**  
4:30 pm David Schaefer by Jeff & Debbie Klein

### SUNDAY, JUNE 14—Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the OLV Holy Name Society  
10:00 am William & Winifred Dillon and Jack Matte by the Dillon Family  
12:00 pm The Baxter and Covell Families by Matthew & Veronica Starr  
4:30 pm John & Stephanie Studzinski by the Powell Family

### MONDAY, JUNE 15—Weekday

- 7:30 am OLV Golden Treasury Intentions  
Veronica Creech by Family  
12:10 pm Paul Pula by David & Theresa Zielinski  
Matthew C. Saxe by Mr. & Mrs. Alfred F. Luhr III

### TUESDAY, JUNE 16—Weekday

- 7:30 am John P. Leary by Jeanine, Bonnie and Karen  
Mary Kujawski by Jackie Kujawski  
12:10 pm Joseph Sr., Catherine & Joseph Manka, Jr., & Matthew & Frances Manka  
by Family  
Mark F. Cassidy, Sr. by the Cassidy Family

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17—Weekday

- 7:30 am James J. Holland, Sr. by Keith Carlson & Family  
David Costa (Anniversary of Death) by Mom & Dad  
12:10 pm John & Geraldine Furey (Wedding Anniversary) by Bill & Nancy Furey  
Jim Ross by Cathy Ross

### THURSDAY, JUNE 18—Weekday

- 7:30 am Edward I. Kaczmarczyk (Birthday Remembrance) by Pat and daughters  
12:10 pm James Sanecki by OLV Charities  
Robert (Bob) Koterak by Jean Pogorzala

### FRIDAY, JUNE 19—Saint Romuald, Abbot

- 7:30 am Sophie Wozniak (Birthday Remembrance)  
Theresa Szyszkowski by Maria & Andrea Marracino  
12:10 pm James B. Downey by Rae, Dennis & Madeline Marrone  
2:30 pm **Wedding: Mary Tremblay and William Waldron IV**

### SATURDAY, JUNE 20—Weekday

- 7:30 am Robert & Jeanette Monath by Robert J. Monath  
12:10 pm Peter Louis Sorci by Timothy & LuAnn Batt  
1:30 pm **Wedding: Francesca Walker and Jack William Dormer**  
4:30 pm Joseph & Marie Vitale by Stefano & Denise Vitale

### SUNDAY, JUNE 21—Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Living & Deceased Parishioners of Our Lady of Victory Basilica  
10:00 am Living & Deceased Parishioners of Our Lady of Victory Basilica  
12:00 pm Living & Deceased Parishioners of Our Lady of Victory Basilica  
4:30 pm Living & Deceased Parishioners of Our Lady of Victory Basilica

## JOIN US IN PRAYER

### PRAY THE ROSARY

Tuesdays at  
6:00 p.m.



All are welcome to join in praying the Rosary for Peace on Tuesday evenings in the Basilica's lower level Community Room.

### JOIN OUR PRAYER GROUP

Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. •

June 9, June 23, July 14, July 28,  
August 11, and August 25

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

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday Afternoons

Join us each week on Fridays after the 12:10 p.m. Mass until 5:00 p.m.



### Holy Hours

Tuesday, June 30 • 6:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, July 28 • 6:30 p.m.

The Father Baker Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes invite all to join them at a Holy Hour, a traditional devotion where time is spent reflecting in front of the Blessed Sacrament, led by our parochial vicar, Fr. Dan Ulmer.

## VOCATION REFLECTION

God spoke to Moses and promised, "You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation." We're a little short on the priest part right now. The harvest is huge, but laborers are few. Join the mission! Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### DOUGHNUTS & DISCIPLES

Sunday, June 14 •  
after the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Masses

This Sunday, join us for coffee, juice, and doughnuts in the Basilica's Marian Room after the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Masses and visit with your neighbors! Sponsored by Knights of Columbus and hosted by the Columbiettes.

### ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Monday, June 15

Are you feeling called to get more involved? On June 15th at 6:00 p.m., there will be a meeting for adult volunteers



interested in becoming Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. Then, at 7:00 p.m., there will be a training for adult volunteers who would like to serve as Lectors. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/OLVTraining>, scan the QR code, or call/text Deacon Mark at 716-339-0767. Sessions take place in the Basilica only if volunteers are registered to attend.

### THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS PRESENT IN THE EUCHARIST

Tuesday, June 16 • 7:00 p.m.

Join the Acutis Initiative for an evening of growing in devotion to our Lord's Sacred Heart! We will begin with Adoration in the Basilica, followed by an instructional talk by Fr. Dan Ulmer in the Marian Room on the presence of our Lord's Most Sacred Heart in the Eucharist. Visit [acutisinitiative.org](http://acutisinitiative.org).



### HEALING MASS AT OLV

Wednesday, June 17 • 7:00 p.m.

The Office of Charismatic Renewal for the Diocese of Buffalo is hosting a Healing Mass here at the Basilica with healing teams from the Burning Bush House of Prayer. Fr. David Baker will

be the main celebrant. All are welcome! For details, please call 716-683-6522 ext. 109.

### AN INVITATION TO JOIN "COR"

Thursday, June 18 • 6:30 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus invite all men 18 years and older to join us for our next monthly COR meeting in the Basilica's Marian Room. Format includes light refreshments, praying the rosary, and an engaging discussion regarding our faith. Please join us!

### ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY: FATHER'S DAY GIFT SALE

Weekend of June 20 & 21

The OLV Altar & Rosary Society will be selling pens that go from notepad to touchscreen in style with a special slogan on the pens, proclaiming "Strong Faith Makes Strong Men." What a wonderful statement that the men in your lives will see each time they reach for their pens! Pens are \$5 each and come with a gift box. Stop down on the Basilica's lower level on Father's Day weekend (June 20 & 21) before or after Masses to get your pens and support the Altar & Rosary Society.

### HEALING MASS FOR FAMILIES

Monday, June 29 • 3:30 p.m.

The Catholic Parenting Initiative invites families and individuals seeking physical, emotional, or mental healing to an afternoon of prayer, healing, and hope. Experience the peace and presence of Christ through Holy Mass, followed by prayers for healing before the Blessed Sacrament, celebrated by Fr. Bill Quinlivan. Afterwards, all are invited to enjoy pizza and refreshments in the Basilica's Community and Marian Rooms. To register, please scan the QR code above or go online to [cpiwny.org](http://cpiwny.org). For questions or more information, please call 716-828-9633.



### BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

Tuesdays • 6:30 p.m. • July 14, August 11, September 8, or October 13

If you are a new parent looking to have your baby baptized, please plan to attend one of our upcoming Baptism Preparation classes.



Sessions are held in the Basilica's Marian Room. Scan the QR code above to register for the class of your choice. For questions, please contact Deacon Mark at 716-339-0767 or [mbialkowski@olvbasilica.org](mailto:mbialkowski@olvbasilica.org).



### FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL

Join me on a special pilgrimage to Greece this Fall from September 22—October 2. The pilgrimage through OLV Charities includes round trip airfare from Toronto (other airports available), first class hotel accommodations, daily private Mass, a 3-day Mediterranean island cruise, and breakfast and dinner daily. For more details, visit <https://www.catholicjourneys.com/gc-sept2026> or scan the QR code and enter "OLV" as the password. A \$500 deposit reserves your spot for the trip; total cost is \$6,499/person (double occupancy).



## High School Confirmation



High School Students entering Grades 10-12 who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to register at this summer's program at OLV Basilica. Scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/2026-OLV-Youth-Confirmation>. There is an \$85 fee; please make checks payable to *Our Lady of Victory*. Classes will be held in the OLV Elementary School Cafeteria from 6:00—8:00 p.m. on Wednesday 7/15, Thursday 7/16, Wednesday 7/29, Thursday 7/30, and Thursday 8/6. A retreat will also be held at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart in Orchard Park on a date to be announced. For questions, contact Carm Zomeri at 716-828-7494 or [czomeri@olvbasilica.org](mailto:czomeri@olvbasilica.org).

## Vacation Bible School



Monday, July 20—Friday, July 24

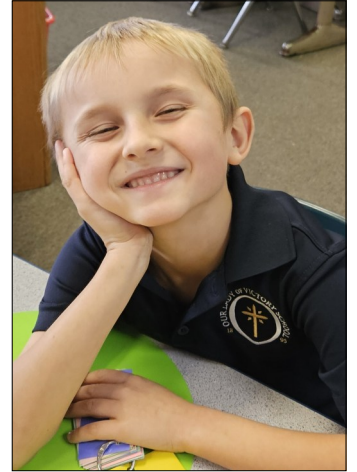
This year's theme is *Summer with the Saints: Superheroes of Faith* and will take place July 20—24 from 6:00—8:00 p.m. Grow deeper in your faith, learn about Saints, and have fun evenings! Snacks, crafts, and other activities are provided each evening. Ages 4—11 are invited to attend as participants. Cost is \$30/child (to help offset supplies). Scholarship/multi-child discounts are available; no child wanting to grow in faith will be turned away. Ages 12+ are invited to participate as volunteers for free. Registration is required for both participants and volunteers. Scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/2026-OLV-VBS>.

## OLV Elementary School

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## JOB OPENINGS

OLV Charities has several open positions. Visit [olvcharities.org/careers](http://olvcharities.org/careers) for more information.

- Payroll Administrator
- Stationary Engineer w/EPA Cert.
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- HVAC Technician
- Camp Turner - Camp Counselors
- Camp Turner - Cooks



Our annual Pennies to Heaven 2026 event is August 1st and 2nd and we need your help!

### BASKET RAFFLE DONATIONS NEEDED

We're looking for donations for our basket raffle—a fully assembled basket, individual items, gift cards, or monetary donations are all welcome and we ask that they be brought to the Parish Rectory at 767 Ridge Road, Lackawanna, NY 14218.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

- Baskets or donations may be combined. We appreciate your contribution!
- Raffle sheets will be sold as we get closer to the event.

Please contact the Rectory with any

questions at 716-828-9444 or [olvrectory@olvbasilica.org](mailto:olvrectory@olvbasilica.org). Thank you as always for your support!

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR KIDS' ZONE

The Kids' Area for Pennies to Heaven is planning ahead to bring young and old more fun! We will need many hands the day of the event. Maybe you can work a 3-hour shift. Maybe you cannot help the day of P2H, but can donate items, such as:

- 2 liter bottles of pop, bottles of shelf-stable juice, or Gatorade, or anything you think kids and teens would like to drink

- fidget toys
- small and medium-sized, clean, new or very gently used stuffed animals
- bags of candy

Items can be placed into the blue bins at the entrances to the church.

Do you have building skills? Maybe you can help build some games like a balloon pop game, jumbo Jenga, or maybe a 9-hole mini-golf course (thinking big here).

Reach out to Stephanie at 716-866-0205 if you can help.



# SUPPORT OLV

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## Offertory

Donate to the offertory collection to support OLV National Shrine & Basilica.



## Vigil Candles

Pay the requested offering (\$5 each) to light a candle inside the Basilica.



## Welcome Plaza

Support our Basilica Centennial Campaign. Questions? Call Shannon Donovan at 716-828-9610.



## Volunteer

Become an OLV Parish Volunteer! Fill out a form to indicate your interests.

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

In order to maintain our beautiful Basilica and support the mission and ministries of our parish, 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** or you may give online. We are very grateful for your ongoing support of OLV Basilica!

#### Offertory Collection for Sunday, May 10, 2026

##### PARISH COLLECTIONS:

Weekly	\$16,556.27
Monthly	\$820.00
Easter	\$73.00
Easter Flowers	\$20.00
Fuel	\$10.00
Processing Fees (online)	\$14.91
Shrines (Votive Candles)	\$3,222.00

##### ADDITIONAL COLLECTIONS:

Altar & Rosary Society	\$113.00
Catholic Home Mission Appeal	\$32.00
Holy Land / Good Friday	\$31.00

**TOTAL** **\$20,892.18**




## GIVE YOUR GIFTS ONLINE.

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- 1 Go to [olvbasilica.org](http://olvbasilica.org) and click *Give*.
- 2 Select a collection or event.
- 3 Use your credit/debit card, checking or savings account, PayPal, or Venmo. That's it!

### OLV BASILICA MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 20—21

	TIME	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	SACRISTAN
<b>SAT.</b>	4:30 pm	Denise Hansgen	Tracy Allen, John Leszak, Bob Lohr, Roman Mayers, James McEvoy	Theodore, Joshua, and Nathaniel Lindstrom	Michelle Radominski
<b>SUN.</b>	8:00 am	Martin Tobin	Albert Ward, Nancy Zippier, Eugene Allman, Sheila Allman	Erin Bialkowski	Kevin O'Neil
	10:00 am	Mickey Pawenski	Patricia Jarosz, Patricia Osborne	Carter Cofield	Diane Bona
	Noon	Matthew Minton	David West, Doreen West, Robert McDonough		Jon Paul Trabucco
	4:30 pm	Matthew Minton	Richard Grasso, Marsha Lipke, David Lipke		Patricia DiVito

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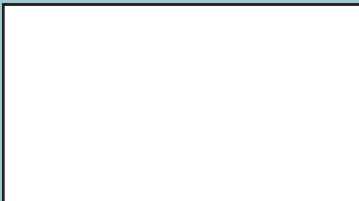
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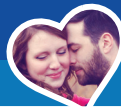
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