



# OUR LADY OF VICTORY NATIONAL SHRINE AND BASILICA

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*Sunday, February 10, 2019 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**PASTOR:** Rev. Msgr. Paul J. E. Burkard

**PAROCHIAL VICAR:**  
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.

**SCHOOL:**

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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.



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

**A Message from Father Paul**

*We had a great time last Monday evening at Ilio's Restaurant for our annual Parish Appreciation reception.* There were close to 200 people in attendance. These were the people who donate their time and talent to help our parish in so many ways during the year. Again, my thanks to all of them for volunteering to make our parish strong. My special thanks to Carm Zomeri, our Director of Religious Education, for coordinating all of the arrangements for this event, and to Dennis DiPaolo and his staff at Ilio's for all their help.

*This Saturday, February 9, is the last Early Bird Drawing for this year's Sweepstakes.* To win this \$150 Early Bird prize, you will need to have a sweepstakes ticket. Tickets are available after all weekend Masses, or at the rectory, OLV Elementary School Office, or the Gift Shop. They are \$50 each. The actual Sweepstakes event will be held on Saturday, March 2, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the OLV Elementary School Gym and Cafeteria. The Grand Prize is \$10,000. Get your ticket now.

*Once again, I want to thank the Conventual Franciscan Friars from Athol Springs for all their help with Masses and Confessions these last few months.* While Father Sam has been on administrative leave, and Father Romulus has been on vacation and at a required Franciscan retreat, the Friars have been very generous with their time, helping us out whenever they can. Thank them when you see them, and pray for them, as well.

*Tuesday of this week, February 12, is our annual Couples Mass.* It will take place at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Basilica. All couples of the parish are invited to attend. This Mass has been a tradition here for a good number of years, and is usually celebrated right around the time of St. Valentine's Day. Join us for this special Mass, and for the reception in the OLV Elementary School cafeteria right after that Mass.

*Next Sunday, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass, we will welcome the Lackawanna Patriot's Club to our liturgy.* The Patriot's Club members meet here annually for this Mass, at which they remember all of their deceased members, especially those who have died in the past year. We welcome them warmly to this Mass, and thank them for their charitable works in the Lackawanna community throughout the year.

*The week of February 18 through 22 is a "week off" for our Elementary School students.* It is "winter break" week. It means that we are about half way through winter. That's good news!

*On the weekend of February 23-24, our Children's Liturgy group will be holding a Bake Sale in the Marian Room after the weekend Masses, and on Sunday, February 24, our OLV Elementary School 8<sup>th</sup> Grade class will be holding a Pancake Breakfast in the school cafeteria, after the morning Masses. Plan ahead!*

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

*Father Paul*

**Summary of the Readings  
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Confronted with God's power and majesty, the first response of the prophet Isaiah was to acknowledge his sinfulness. "Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips," he said aloud. Likewise, with his empty fishing nets dramatically filled at Jesus' instruction, Peter fell to his knees and cried out, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man."

Next, Peter got up. He docked his boats then left to follow Jesus. Isaiah also had a dramatic change of heart. When he heard the Lord say, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" Isaiah answered, "Here I am, send me."

We are summoned daily by the Risen Lord. We are reminded of the saving power of the gospel and know in our heart of hearts that, as St. Paul wrote, believing in anything else won't lead to anything.

What will it take for you to move past your sinfulness? What will it take for you to get off your knees? What will it take for you to bring to dock what is unimportant and to accept your call to be God's messenger? Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

  
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**Week of February 10, 2019**

**Saturday, February 9**

4:30 James & Josephine McDonald by The Gullekson Family

**Sunday, February 10—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society  
10:00 Michael Bona by Petrina Bona & Family  
12:00 Stella Dusza by Grandson, David Sasiadek  
4:30 Novena for the Sick Intentions

**Monday, February 11—Our Lady of Lourdes**

7:30 James Schaefer by Cindy & Dave Schaefer  
8:15 Novena for the Sick Intentions  
All Souls Intentions  
12:10 Eleanor Rudny by Family  
Bella Houlihan by Rita & Vincent

**Tuesday, February 12**

7:30 Richard Pytak by Mary & Ron Hageman  
12:10 Bridget Howard by Winnie & Florence  
Denny Walsh by Chuck & Nick Scaccia  
7:00 Couples Mass

**Wednesday, February 13**

7:30 Victoria Usiak by Joan Usiak  
Michael Gallego by The Gallego Family  
12:10 Adele Burdzy Schultz by The Swiech Family

**Thursday, February 14—SS. Cyril & Methodius**

7:30 John Dusza by Grandson, David Sasiadek  
12:10 Bobby Blatt by Mary Anne Jackson  
Dorothy A. Downey by Dorothea A. Downey

**Friday, February 15**

7:30 Mary Jane Krohn by The McManus Family  
8:15 For the People of the Parish  
Our Lady of Victory Father Baker Guild Members  
12:10 Helen Opiel by Family

**Saturday, February 16**

7:30 A Special Intention  
12:10 Jim & Mary Murphy by Family  
4:30 John Lejca by The Lejca Family

**Sunday, February 17—Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Michelle Whalen by Brian & Sharon Stanton & Family  
10:00 Deceased Members of the Patriots Club by The Patriots Club  
12:00 Eugene Staniszewski by Mary Staniszewski & Family  
4:30 Patrick Kelly by The Monday Night Book Club



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**Weekend of February 16-17**

**Lectors:**

**Saturday, February 16**

4:30 p.m.—W. O'Rourke

**Sunday, February 17**

8:00 a.m.—L. Smolen

10:00 a.m.—C. Swan

12:00 p.m.—R. Koeppl

4:30 p.m.—M. Kipler

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**Saturday, February 16**

4:30 p.m.—Jackson, Schaefer, Welsch

**Sunday, February 17**

8:00 a.m.—M.&P. Allman

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

12:00 p.m.—Bonafede, Trabucco, Wallum

4:30 p.m.—Jackson, R.&D. McDonough, Stachowski

**Servers:**

**Saturday, February 16**

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

**Sunday, February 17**

8:00 a.m.—V. Trojanovic, N. Lindstrom

10:00 a.m.—M. Wietchy (MC=K. Thompson)

12:00 p.m.—L.J. Sokolik, A. Grinder

(MC=C. Carroccia)

4:30 p.m.—M. McNatty, D.N. Clark

(MC= S. Saunders)

**Tours: February 17: Mickey Kipler**



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**Sunday, February 10—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:40 a.m. Religious Ed Classes (1-9)  
10:00 a.m. Children’s Liturgy (Bas); Reception (MR)  
1:00 p.m. RCIA (Mus R)

**Monday, February 11—Our Lady of Lourdes**

*Novena for the Sick Ends*  
6:00 p.m. Catholic Daughters Meeting at OLV Skilled Nursing Home)  
7:00 p.m. Folk Group Practice (Mus R)

**Tuesday, February 12**

7:00 p.m. Couples Mass (Bas); Reception (Caf)  
NO Rosary for Peace  
NO Prayer Group Meeting

**Wednesday, February 13**

**Thursday, February 14—SS. Cyril & Methodius**

*Valentine’s Day*  
1:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (SC)  
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Mus R)

**Friday, February 15**

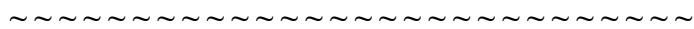
1:00-5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Bas)  
2:00-3:00 p.m. Pro-Life Holy Hour (IH)

**Saturday, February 16**

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

**Sunday, February 17—Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

NO Religious Ed Classes  
10:00 a.m. Annual Patriots Club Mass (Bas)  
1:00 p.m. RCIA (Mus R)  
1:00 p.m. Baptisms (Bas)

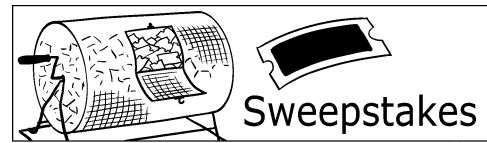


**Important Dates to Note:**

- ◆ February 10: Service Club meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Gym.
- ◆ February 12: Easter Candy Sale ends
- ◆ February 16: Happy Birthday, Father Baker

**Don’t Forget**

You can help support our school. Please check your grocery purchases for **Box Tops for Education labels**. If you have any labels, please cut them and donate in the box in the front of the church. Our Lady of Victory Elementary School earns 10 cents for each label collected. We appreciate your support. Box Tops for Education labels can be found on Kleenex, Glad, Hefty and many other brand name products.



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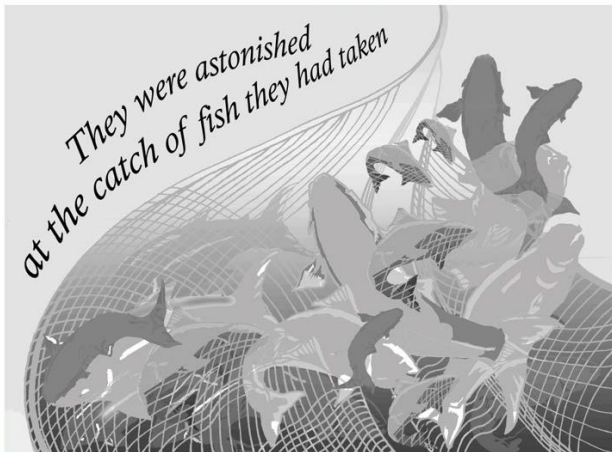
**Get Your 2019 Sweepstakes Tickets!**

**2019 Sweepstakes tickets are on sale now!** Get your tickets after weekend Masses at the exit on the lower level of the Basilica or in the Rectory, Gift Shop and the School Office during regular business hours. Each ticket is \$50.00 and admits two people (21 and over) to the Sweepstakes night on **March 2, 2019**.

**If you are able to help with the Sweepstakes Drawing on March 2**, please contact Deniece Diamond at 716-997-8125.



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**OLV Annual Sweepstakes 2019**  
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**Drawing on Saturday, March 2, 2019**

Quantity of Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ (\$50 donation each)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete and mail this form, along with your check to: Our Lady of Victory Sweepstakes, 767 Ridge Road, Lackawanna, NY 14218. Your numbered ticket will be mailed to you. Thank you.

**Position Available**

Our Lady of Victory National Shrine is looking for a **full-time Business Manager**. To find more information on this position and to apply, please go to the Our Lady of Victory website at [www.ourladyofvictory.org](http://www.ourladyofvictory.org).

**Care For Creation**

The next meeting of Our Lady of Victory’s Care for Creation group will be held on **Monday, February 25, 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).



**Sweepstakes Volunteers Needed**

**If you are able to help with the Sweepstakes Drawing on March 2**, please contact Deniece Diamond at 716-997-8125 or complete the form below and return it to the OLV School Office or put it in the collection basket. Thank you.

**Volunteers Needed**

Our Sweepstakes Grand Prize Drawing will take place on Saturday, March 2, 2019, beginning at 5:30 p.m. We are in need of volunteers to assist with major areas of the Sweepstakes process.

\_\_\_\_\_ Theme Baskets, Donations for Large Raffle Items

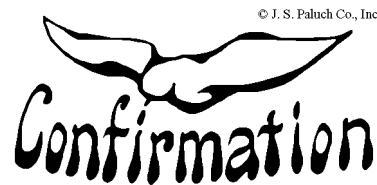
**Event Day (March 2, 2019)**

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| _____ Setup                | _____ Kitchen      |
| _____ Bartender            | _____ 50/50 Split  |
| _____ Bell Jar             | _____ Raffle Sales |
| _____ Ice, Food, Beverages | _____ Take down    |

If you are willing to assist in any of these areas, please indicate your preference and fill in the information below:

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 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please return to Deniece Diamond through the OLV School Office or drop in the collection basket as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please call Deniece (716-997-8125) or the School Office (828-9434). Thank you.



**Adult Confirmation Classes**

**At the Easter Vigil, April 20, 2019, the Church will welcome new Catholics through reception of the Sacraments.** Along with them, any properly prepared and formerly inactive Catholic may receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. We welcome any inactive, baptized adult Catholics who finished high school, who are free to marry in the Church, or if married, were married according to the rites of the Catholic Church, to register for **Adult Confirmation Classes** with Father Romulus. The 5 classes **begin on Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019 from 6:00 to 7:15 p.m. in the Music Room** on the lower level of the Basilica. Classes will continue on **Wednesdays, March 13, March 27, April 3 and April 10. Rehearsal** will be held on **Sunday, April 14, at 1:00 p.m.** Candidates should arrange for an interview with Father Romulus by calling **828-9425** and provide a recent Catholic Baptismal certificate before the first class.



**“Ask a Priest” and Lenten Soup Meal**

Parishioners are invited to this year’s **“Ask a Priest” and Lenten Soup Meal** (soup and bread) sponsored by the Altar & Rosary Society **after the Noon Mass** in the Cafeteria on the following Sundays: **March 10, March 24 (Marian Room), March 31, April 7 and April 14.** If any parishioner wishes to make a donation of homemade soup for these meals, please contact Mary Anne Jackson at 864-0747. There is no charge for this meal, however a free will offering will be taken up.

**St. Joseph Table on March 17**

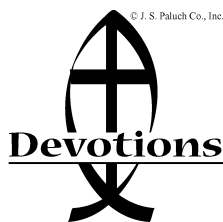
On **Sunday, March 17**, the Altar & Rosary Society will have a **St. Joseph Table** in the **OLV Elementary School Cafeteria from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** We are asking our parishioners to help support the day by donating a meatless dish to put on this special table in honor of St. Joseph. There is no charge for this meal, however a free will offering will be taken up. If you have any questions, please call Mary Anne Jackson at 864-0747. Hope to see you there.



Sunday, February 3rd

Weekly:	\$	14,428.88
Monthly:	\$	1,492.00
Total:	\$	15,920.88
Shrines	\$	441.22
Pennies	\$	48.85
Catholic Relief	\$	121.00
Fuel	\$	70.00

Financial statements for 2018 are available upon request. Please send your request and a stamped, self-addressed letter size (#10) envelope to: Our Lady of Victory Rectory, 767 Ridge Road, Lackawanna, NY 14218. Thank you.



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.

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is recited every weekday at 11:45 a.m. (before the 12:10 p.m. Mass). The Angelus is recited at noon. The rosary is recited following the Mass.

Our Rosary Prayer Group is looking for people to join them praying for peace. The group meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in front of the main altar. Please come and join us.



Vocation Thought Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Not long ago we heard about Jesus' vocation as foretold by Isaiah. Today we hear of St. Paul's vocation to spread the good news of Jesus to people far and wide. What is your vocation? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. You can also check out the "Priest of the Month" stories at www.buffalovocations.org.

AREA HAPPENINGS

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Msgr. Nelson H. Baker #1043 will meet on Monday, February 11, at 6:30 p.m. at the Mercy Skilled Nursing Facility, 55 Melroy, to enjoy activities and refreshments with the residents. Following the activities, we will hold a short business meeting. Upcoming events will be discussed, including the state convention in May. A diaper drive is planned for February 13 at Our Lady of Charity Parish Pot Luck and the weekend of March 2-3 at Our Lady of Victory. Any size diapers or baby wipes are appreciated. Catholic Daughters is a national charitable organization open to any Catholic woman over 18. We support many national charities like Habitat, SOAR, and Smile Train, as well as local groups such as the food pantries, Harvest House and St. Gianna Molla Center. For further information, contact Susan at 939-7450.

Annual St. Gianna Banquet on Tuesday, February 26, at 6:00 p.m. at the Millennium Hotel, 2040 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga. Opening Remarks by Most Reverend Richard J. Malone, Th.D., Bishop of Buffalo. Keynote Speaker: Michele Sterlace-Accorsi, Executive Director of Feminists Choosing Life of New York. \$75.00 per person/Students \$50.00 (Non-refundable). Limited seating; reservations only. No tickets issued. Check in begins at 5:30 p.m. Ticket deadline is Friday, February 15.

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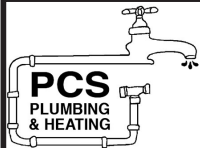
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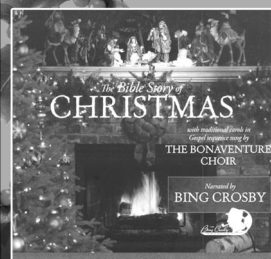
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