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Sunday, January 27, 2019 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

PAROCHIAL VICAR:

Rev. Romulus Rosolowski, OFM Conv.

DEACON:

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 or by phone at (716) 828-9424.

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Because of the bad weather last weekend, Our Lady of Victory Elementary School postponed the Open House which was part of this week's Catholic Schools week celebration. The postponed Open House will take place this Sunday, January 27, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All are welcome to stop over after Sunday morning Masses to take a walk through the school. You'll be amazed at our new Technology Lab and other new additions to our school programs. Families looking for a school for their children for next year are especially welcome to the Open House on Sunday.

Last weekend, Chris Heitzhaus, one of our parishioners, and a Junior at Canisius High School, spoke at all the Masses on his upcoming school-sponsored mission trip to inner city Los Angeles. Chris and seven other Canisius students has been chosen to work in one of the poorest neighborhoods in L.A. Chris left envelopes with his name on them in the pews, so that anyone who might wish to help him defray the cost of this trip could do so by making a donation for this trip. You may hand the envelope with your donation to one of our ushers or one of the priests or deacons. As pastor, I am always proud of our young parishioners like Chris who are willing to undertake these mission experiences. Anything you can do to help Chris would be greatly appreciated.

Saturday, February 2, is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. It is also called "Candlemas Day." It is the day the church blesses the candles used at liturgy for the coming year. The feast commemorates the day on which Joseph and Mary brought Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem, to dedicate Him to the Lord, and on which Simeon, the prophet, declared Jesus, the "Light of the World." At the Saturday 7:30 a.m. Mass and at the 12:10 Noontime Mass, we will bless candles and the candle oil which we will use in our Basilica sanctuary during the year ahead.

Next Sunday, February 3, is the Feast of St. Blaise. This feast day is the day on which the church traditionally blesses throats, using the candles blessed the day before on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. St. Blaise is the patron saint of those suffering from illnesses of the throat. We will bless throats at the conclusion of each weekend Mass, February 2 and 3. (With the wide variety of throat and respiratory illnesses going around this year, it's a good blessing to get!)

Next Sunday, being the first Sunday of the month of February, will be coffee and donut Sunday—after all the Sunday morning Masses. Stop down to the area around the Marian Room for a quick cup and a donut to begin your day.

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



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

Father Paul

Summary of the Readings Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The holidays are well behind us; the year stretches out ahead. And what sort of year will it be? To judge by the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, it will be "a year acceptable to the Lord." And Jesus surely didn't mean only the next three hundred sixty-five days facing his listeners at that time.

When Jesus announced the "arrival" of God's favor, it was a message for all time, for every year. Similarly, we read today in Nehemiah how the people gathered with solemnity to hear God's word as though for the first time. They listened, and then fell to the ground and wept. But the prophet said, "Today is holy . . . do not be sad, and do not weep."

The "year acceptable to the Lord" is this year. The day that is "holy" is this day. The time to listen is now. What sort of year will you have? What sort of day? God's help is always here. What you do with each day can be holy and acceptable to the Lord if you but listen to and act on God's word. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Happening This Week

Sunday, January 27—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catholic Relief Services Collection

8:40 a.m. Religious Ed Classes (1-9)
10:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy (Bas); Reception (MR)
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. OLV School Open House
1:00 p.m. RCIA (Mus R)

Monday, January 28—St. Thomas Aquinas

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

Tuesday, January 29

7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace (Bas)
7:30 p.m. Prayer Group Meeting (SC) (MR)

Wednesday, January 30

Thursday, January 31—St. John Bosco

1:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (MR)
3:00-4:00 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Mus R)

Friday, February 1

School Blessing of Throats after 8:15 a.m. Mass

1:00-5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Bas)
2:00-3:00 p.m. Pro-Life Holy Hour (IH)
6:15 p.m. Pre-Baptism Class (MR)
7:30 p.m. First Friday Mass (Bas)

Saturday, February 2—The Presentation of the Lord

Church in Central & Eastern Europe Collection

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

Sunday, February 3—Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Time

Church in Central & Eastern Europe Collection

*Novena for the Sick Begins; Blessing of Throats after Masses
Coffee & Donuts after Morning Masses (MR)*

8:40 a.m. Religious Ed Classes (1-9)
11:00 a.m. Altar & Rosary Society Meeting (Mus R)
1:00 p.m. RCIA (Mus R)
1:00 p.m. Baptisms (Bas)



Week of January 27, 2019

Saturday, January 26

4:30 Lillian Melohusky by Walter Melohusky

Sunday, January 27—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Jeanette Grasso by Children
10:00 Robert Ward, Jr. by Deborah Russell
12:00 Mildred Idzior by Ron & Donna Kraus
4:30 Charlie, Kay, Marie & Meg Friedman by The Friedman Family

Monday, January 28—St. Thomas Aquinas

7:30 Irene Covino by Joseph & Marta Iannicelli
8:15 Our Lady of Victory Spiritual Association Members
Dec. Mem. of the Leising & Shyne Families by Estate
12:10 Theresa Lukaszewicz by Family

Tuesday, January 29

7:30 Patrick Gallagher (Death Ann.) by Loving Wife, Marilyn
Mary Lou Gallego by The Gallego Family
12:10 Vera Butler by Florence Burke

Wednesday, January 30

7:30 John Phillips by Estate
12:10 Bernice Richert by Louise Ringle

Thursday, January 31—St. John Bosco

7:30 James Patrick Phillips by Estate
12:10 Daniel A. Trzaska by Wife, Carol & Family

Friday, February 1

7:30 Mary R. & Joseph Rektorik by Estate
8:15 For the People of the Parish
Casimir M. Slaski & Family by Estate
12:10 Don & Antoinelle Wilbur by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Beres & Family
Jennifer Kozub by John & Beverly Patton & The Kozub Family
7:30 Rosemarie Leary by Cindy & Dave Schaefer

Saturday, February 2—The Presentation of the Lord

7:30 Albert & Jennie Beres by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Beres & Family
12:10 Kathleen Needham by Martha Argerie
4:30 Stephen P. Check by Mike, Karen, Susan & Patricia

Sunday, February 3—Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Time

8:00 John H. McDonald by Wife, Pamela
10:00 Joseph (JoJo) DeRousseau & Bertha (mother) by Family
12:00 Living & Dec. Mem. of the Altar & Rosary Society
4:30 Novena for the Sick Intentions



Sunday, January 20th

Weekly:	\$	5,133.76
Monthly:	\$	386.00
Total:	\$	5,519.76
Shrines	\$	929.34
Pennies	\$	44.78
Fuel	\$	100.00
Catholic Relief	\$	1.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$	20.00

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.



We welcome *Enrik I. Jorgali* into our Parish Community. He was baptized on Sunday, January 20, 2019 in Our Lady of Victory Basilica.

OLV Parish Appreciation Reception

Invitations for the **OLV Parish Appreciation Reception** on **Monday, February 4**, at 6:00 p.m. at Illo DiPaolo's have been sent out. Please call Cathy at 828-9419 by Thursday, January 31, to make your reservation. If you worked for an event for the school or church and did not yet receive an invitation, please call the Rectory and review your contact information. Thank you.

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Vocation Thought

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

When Jesus read before the crowd today, he made known to us his vocation. What is yours? Are you called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? 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 on the Diocesan Vocation Office website at www.buffalovocations.org.

School News

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Our rescheduled Open House will run from 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. this Sunday, January 27. Come on over to see all of the wonderful things our Parish School has to offer. We have a fun-filled Catholic School's Week planned in honor of Catholic Education.

Important Dates to Note:

- ♦ January 28: Kick off Pep Rally in the gym at 1:00 p.m. followed by Teachers vs Eighth grade volleyball game. Wear your favorite team shirt and athletic wear.
- ♦ January 29: Student Appreciation Day. Dress up like your favorite teacher with first and second prize for the best costume. Mrs. Kraus will treat classes to an ice cream treat for lunch.
- ♦ January 30: Parent Appreciation Day. Come in and have a delicious spaghetti lunch with your child/children. Wear your school uniform bottoms with a plain white shirt for a special photo in the Basilica. Crazy Socks Too!
- ♦ January 31: Appreciate our Veteran's Day. Wear your favorite PJ's as you make Valentines for our Veterans with your buddies. Reading Incentive Program Kick off.
- ♦ February 1: Teacher, Staff, Kitchen Staff Appreciation Day. Our traditional Survivor Competition. Wear your chosen class colors. HSA sponsored faculty and staff luncheon.

Get Your 2019 Sweepstakes Tickets!

2019 Sweepstakes tickets are still available. 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.

The final Early Bird drawings will be held on Saturday, February 9 (\$150).

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.

February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
BAS-Basilica MR-Marian Room MUS R-Music Room CAF-OLV Cafeteria SC-Shrine Chapel R-Rectory IH-Infant Home					1 <i>First Friday</i> <i>School Blessing of Throats</i> 1-5 pm Eucharistic Adoration (Bas) 2 pm Pro-Life Holy Hour (IH) 6:15 pm Pre-Baptism Class (MR) 7:30 pm Mass (Bas)	2 <i>Church/Central & E. Europe</i> 3-4 pm & 7-7:30 pm Confessions (Bas)
3 <i>Coffee & Donuts (MR)</i> <i>Church/Central & E. Europe</i> <i>Novena for the Sick Begins</i> <i>Blessing of Throats</i> 8:40 am Rel. Ed. Classes 11 am Altar/Rosary (Mus R) 1 pm RCIA (Mus R) 1 pm Baptisms (Bas)	4 6 pm Parish Appreciation (Ilio's) 7 pm Folk Group Practice (Mus R)	5 7 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting (R) 7 pm Rosary for Peace (Bas) 7:30 pm Mass, Prayer Group Meeting (SC) (MR)	6	7 1 pm Legion of Mary (MR) 7 pm Choir Rehearsal (Mus R)	8 1-5 pm Eucharistic Adoration (Bas) 2-3 pm Pro-Life Holy Hour (IH)	9 <i>Sweeps Early Bird Drawing</i> 9 am Children's Liturgy Practice (MR) 3-4 pm & 7-7:30 pm Confessions (Bas)
10 8:40 am Rel. Ed. Classes 10 am Children's Liturgy (Bas); Reception (MR) 1 pm RCIA (Mus R)	11 <i>Novena for the Sick Ends</i> 6:30 pm Catholic Daughters (MR) 7 pm Folk Group Practice (Mus R)	12 7 pm Couples Mass (Bas) & Reception (MR) NO Rosary for Peace NO Prayer Group Meeting	13	14 1 pm Legion of Mary (SC) 7 pm Choir Rehearsal (Mus R)	15 1-5 pm Eucharistic Adoration (Bas) 2-3 pm Pro-Life Holy Hour (IH)	16 3-4 pm & 7-7:30 pm Confessions (Bas)
17 NO Religious Ed. Classes 10 am Patriots Club Mass 1 pm RCIA (Mus R) 1 pm Baptisms (Bas)	18 <i>Presidents Week School Holiday</i> 7 pm Folk Group Practice (Mus R)	19 <i>Presidents Week School Holiday</i> 7 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting (R) 7 pm Rosary for Peace (Bas) NO Prayer Group Meeting	20 <i>Presidents Week School Holiday</i> 6:30 pm School Board Meeting (Caf)	21 <i>Presidents Week School Holiday</i> 1 pm Legion of Mary (MR) 7 pm Choir Rehearsal (Mus R)	22 <i>Presidents Week School Holiday</i> 1-5 pm Eucharistic Adoration (Bas) 2-3 pm Pro-Life Holy Hour (IH)	23 <i>Children's Liturgy Bake Sale (MR)</i> 3-4 pm & 7-7:30 pm Confessions (Bas)
24 <i>Children's Liturgy Bake Sale (MR)</i> NO Religious Ed. Classes 8 am-12 pm 8th Grade Pancake Breakfast (Caf) 1 pm RCIA (Mus R)	25 7 pm Care for Creation (MR) 7 pm Finance Council (R) 7 pm Folk Group Practice (Mus R)	26 7 pm Rosary for Peace (Bas) 7:30 pm Prayer Group Meeting (SC) (MR)	27	28 1 pm Legion of Mary (MR) 3-4 pm Confessions (Bas) 7 pm Choir Rehearsal (Mus R)		

Lector Schedule - February 2019

Sat. 2/2	4:30	D. Ortiz
Sun. 2/3	8:00	B. DeMike
	10:00	A. Buckley
	12:00	M. Arza
	4:30	A. Boneberg
Sat. 2/9	4:30	S. Puckhaber
Sun. 2/10	8:00	M. Pawenski
	10:00	No Lector—Children's Liturgy
	12:00	R. McDonough
	4:30	J. Howell
Sat. 2/16	4:30	W. O'Rourke
Sun. 2/17	8:00	L. Smolen
	10:00	C. Swan
	12:00	R. Koepfel
	4:30	M. Kipler
Sat. 2/23	4:30	S. Saunders
Sun. 2/24	8:00	E. Wieleba
	10:00	E. Bednarz
	12:00	S. Swiech
	4:30	G. Reid

Tour Guide Schedule
Sunday Walk In Tours

February 3 Jim Drzymala
February 10 Paul Gorczyca
February 17 Joanne Haley
February 24 Mickey Kipler

Eucharistic Minister Schedule - February 2019

Sat. 2/2	4:30	Jackson, Schaefer, Wood
Sun. 2/3	8:00	M.&P. Allman
	10:00	Rose Grasso, Jarosz, Powers, T. Wing
	12:00	Bonafede, Koepfel, Swan, Trabucco
	4:30	Rick Grasso, Jackson, Stachowski
Sat. 2/9	4:30	Dulak, Jackson, Schaefer
Sun. 2/10	8:00	Fitzgerald, M. McCann
	10:00	Dehlinger, T. McCann, Osborne, Powers, T. Wing
	12:00	Bonafede, Koepfel, R.&D. McDonough, Trabucco
	4:30	Britting, Rick Grasso, Jackson
Sat. 2/16	4:30	Jackson, Schaefer, Welsh
Sun. 2/17	8:00	M.&P. Allman
	10:00	Jarosz, Osborne, Powers, T. Wing
	12:00	Bonafede, Trabucco, Wallum
	4:30	Jackson, R.&D. McDonough, Stachowski
Sat. 2/23	4:30	Dulak, Jackson, Wood
Sun. 2/24	8:00	M. McCann, Murray
	10:00	R.&A. Boneberg, Osborne, Powers, T. Wing
	12:00	Bonafede, Koepfel, Smolen, Trabucco
	4:30	Britting, Rick Grasso, Jackson

Altar Server Schedule - February 2019

Sun. 2/2	4:30	D.M. Bush, A. Mateer, A. Pavlovich
Sun. 2/3	8:00	V. Trojanovic, N. Lindstrom
	10:00	R. Jackson, M. Schwarzott (MC=C. Heitzhaus)
	12:00	M. Viverto, L.J. Sokolik (MC=A. Grinder)
	4:30	M. McNatty, D.N. Clark, B. Gwozdz (MC=J. Pearson)
Sat. 2/9	4:30	D.M. Bush, A. Mateer, A. Pavlovich
Sun. 2/10	8:00	M. Wietchy, V. Trojanovic, R. Harrington
	10:00	N. Lindstrom, K. Pietrkiewicz, N.M. Powers (MC=K. Thompson)
	12:00	T. Sitarek, R. Litwin, A. Grinder (MC=C. Carroccia)
	4:30	M. McNatty, D.N. Clark, (MC=S. Saunders)
Sat. 2/16	4:30	D.M. Bush, P. Diamond, A. Pavlovich
Sun. 2/17	8:00	V. Trojanovic, N. Lindstrom
	10:00	M. Wietchy, (MC=K. Thompson)
	12:00	L.J. Sokolik, A. Grinder (MC=C. Carroccia)
	4:30	M. McNatty, D.N. Clark, B. Gwozdz (MC=S. Saunders)
Sat. 2/23	4:30	D.M. Bush, A. Pavlovich, MG. Wood
Sun. 2/24	8:00	V. Trojanovic, R. Harrington
	10:00	N. Lindstrom, A.J. Matyas, L.J. Sokolik (MC=C. Heitzhaus)
	12:00	T. Sitarek, R. Litwin, E. James (MC=A. Grinder)
	4:30	A. Mateer, D.N. Clark (MC=J. Pearson)

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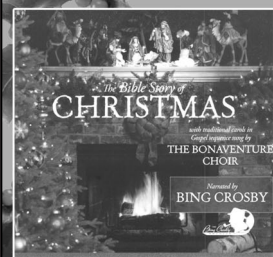
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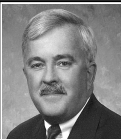
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