



OUR LADY OF VICTORY NATIONAL SHRINE AND BASILICA

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Sunday, November 18, 2018 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Rev. Romulus Rosolowski, OFM Conv.

DEACONS: Deacon Michael V. Comerford
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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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Remember the Altar and Rosary Baked Goods Sale after all the Masses this weekend – in the Music Room, lower level of the Basilica. Proceeds from this sale and other Altar and Rosary activities goes to provide supplies for the liturgy and other services which take place in the Basilica. Your support of the Baked Goods Sale helps this cause greatly.

This weekend, the annual Campaign for Human Development collection will be taken up in all of the churches throughout the United States. Please use the special envelope which you will find in your packet for this collection. As always with special collection envelopes, you may use them anytime in a four week period. After four weeks, we close out that collection.

This weekend, Father Sam and the parish RCIA catechists begin the “Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.” This is the process by which non-Catholic adults who wish to become Catholic can do so, and baptized Catholics who have had no religious education training may become fully initiated Catholics. This year, classes will take place on Sunday afternoons, in the lower Basilica, from now until Easter – and slightly beyond. Pray for those adults who will be studying and learning the faith through this process. Pray also for the catechists who work with Father Sam to prepare these candidates for baptism or reception into full communion in the Catholic Church.

Thursday is, of course, Thanksgiving. It is a day to give thanks to God for all his blessings – and to share these blessings with those around us. **We will have two Masses on Thanksgiving Day. One at 7:30 a.m. The other at 10:00 a.m. The 10:00 a.m. Mass will include our annual food procession.** When you come to this 10:00 a.m. Mass, please bring an offering of non-perishable canned goods to be brought up to the sanctuary during the procession, along with the bread and wine for Communion. This food donation will be given to the parish St. Vincent de Paul Society, to be shared with the poor during the holiday season. At both Masses on Thanksgiving Day, any cash donations will also be given to the St. Vincent de Paul Society, as they care for the needy in our neighborhood.

The rectory and the Gift Shop will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and on the Friday after Thanksgiving.

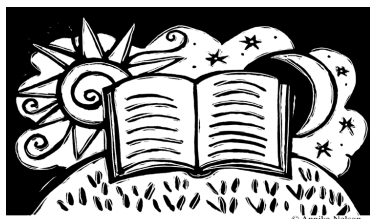
The Buffalo Philharmonic annual presentation of “Messiah” will be held here in the Basilica on Sunday, November 25, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available in our Gift Shop and directly from the Buffalo Philharmonic.

May Jesus 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
Thirty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time

This Sunday's Gospel is our final selection from Mark for this liturgical year. It is taken from the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem immediately preceding the account of his arrest and passion. In it Jesus gives his disciples hope to sustain them through his passion and death and any persecution or suffering that they would encounter after his resurrection.

The words from the book of Daniel also provided hope and encouragement to the people of Daniel's time. The encouragement in these scriptures is meant for us as well, for none of us will escape tribulation in our lives. Followers of Jesus will be able to endure suffering with joyful hope, knowing that Christ's love will lead us along the way of discipleship and give us eternal life with God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



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Weekend of November 24-25

Lectors:

Saturday, November 24

4:30 p.m.—S. Saunders

Sunday, November 25

8:00 a.m.—B. DeMike

10:00 a.m.—A. Boneberg

12:00 p.m.—C. Swan

4:30 p.m.—E. Wieleba

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, November 24

4:30 p.m.—Jackson, Welsch

Sunday, November 25

8:00 a.m.—M. McCann, Twist

10:00 a.m.—R.S. Boneberg, Jarosz, Powers, T. Wing

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

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

Servers:

Saturday, November 24

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

Sunday, November 25

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

10:00 a.m.—N. Lindstrom, A.J. Matyas, L.J. Sokolik
(MC=C. Heitzhaus)

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

4:30 p.m.—B. Gwozdz, D.N. Clark, A. Mateer
(MC= J. Pearson)

Tours: November 25: Beverly McHugh

MassSchedule
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Week of November 18, 2018

Saturday, November 17

4:30 Michael Kasprzak by Jim & Karen Dillon

Sunday, November 18—Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Michael Maiorano by Marion Strycharz

10:00 Susan Krencik by Maureen Powers & Family

12:00 Luis Carrillo by Fred & Beverly Vigar

4:30 Kathleen Spahn by Family

Monday, November 19

7:30 Sam Grasso by Family

8:15 Ronald Ziccardi by Dianne Bellagamba

12:10 Florence & Leo Rosolowski by Mary Anne Jackson

Dorene Kania by Friend, Shirley Ptak

Tuesday, November 20

7:30 Francis E. Downey by The Downey Family

12:10 Frances Haggerty by Michael & Marjorie Haggerty

Frank Yakovac by Karen & Michelle Yakovac

Wednesday, November 21—The Presentation of the BVM

7:30 Helen Wieleba by Estate

12:10 Bobby Blatt by Mary Anne Jackson

Jennie Swiech by The Swiech Family

Thursday, November 22—St. Cecilia; Thanksgiving

7:30 For the People of the Parish

10:00 St. Vincent de Paul Society Mass & Food Procession

Friday, November 23—St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro

7:30 John J. O'Keefe (Anniversary) by Family

Patsy Schaefer by Cindy & Dave Schaefer

12:10 Thomas Kevin Twist by John H. & Mary K. Twist

Saturday, November 24—St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions

7:30 Floyd & Marjorie Morruison by Daughters, Elizabeth & Diane

12:10 Rose Eckman by Mary Jarosz & Grandchildren

4:30 Warren Fetterolf & Family by June M. Kij & Family

Sunday, November 25—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 James F. Sturckler by The Sturckler Family

10:00 Joe & Greta Powers by Family

12:00 Emmett O'Leary by The O'Leary Family

4:30 Susan M. Fox by Stephen Check



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Campaign for Human Development Collection
Altar & Rosary Society Bake Sale (Music Room)
 8:40 a.m. Religious Ed Classes (1-9)
 1:00 p.m. RCIA (Mus R)

Monday, November 19

School Thanksgiving Lunch (Caf)
 7:00 p.m. Folk Group Practice (Mus R)

Tuesday, November 20

7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting (R)
 7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace (Bas)
 7:30 p.m. Prayer Group Meeting (SC) (MR)

Wednesday, November 21—The Presentation of the BVM

School Dismissal at 11:00 a.m.

Thursday, November 22—St. Cecilia; Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day; Rectory & Gift Shop Closed; School Holiday
Masses at 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. with Food Procession

Friday, November 23—St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro

Thanksgiving Holiday; Rectory & Gift Shop Closed; School Holiday

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

Saturday, November 24—St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions

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

Sunday, November 25—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

NO Religious Ed Classes
 1:00 p.m. Baptisms (Bas)
 1:00 p.m. RCIA (Mus R)
 7:30 p.m. Messiah Concert (Bas)

This Sunday I would like to wish all of our OLV families, our parishioners, Pastor, our priests, and all of our faculty and staff a very *Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving*. I, myself, have so much to be grateful for because of all of you. Thank you for the gift of becoming part of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Community which you have helped to create. Thank you for inspiring me with your model of generosity and service. Thank you for your amazing children I am blessed to work with on a daily basis. Thank you for accepting me as the principal at Our Lady of Victory School and giving me the opportunity to build upon the great model of spirituality, love, academic rigor and support established by Sister Ellen's leadership and care. Thank you for "letting me be me." Thank you for making me, in these last two years, know that I am home. Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!

Important Dates to Note:

- ◆ November 18: Youth Group Service Club meeting - Today's Helpers, Tomorrows Learners - 5:30 p.m. in the Gym
- ◆ November 20: Lock Down Drill
- ◆ November 21: Early Dismissal for Thanksgiving Break - 11:00 a.m. No Aftercare services will be offered.
- ◆ November 22-25: Thanksgiving Holiday, No School

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The program for adults who wish to become Catholic or Fully Initiated Catholic (RCIA), begins at 1:00 p.m. this 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. *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.

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Thursday,
November 22

Masses at 7:30 a.m.
and 10:00 a.m.
(10:00 a.m. Mass
includes annual food
procession)



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The *Altar & Rosary Society Bake Sale* will be held *this Saturday and Sunday, November 17 and 18*, in the Music Room before and after each Mass. Stop in and purchase a delicious dessert for dinner!



Sunday, November 11th

Weekly:	\$	11,840.10
Monthly:	\$	456.00
Total:	\$	12,296.10
Shrines	\$	1,183.28
Pennies	\$	73.35
All Saints	\$	75.00
All Souls	\$	164.00
Catholic University	\$	127.00
Fuel	\$	1,699.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	135.00
Immac. Conception	\$	10.00
Christmas	\$	25.00



Baker Victory Services Angel Tree

The Baker Victory Services Angel Tree is here. Fall will soon be over so let's prepare for the Christmas holiday. We have angels on the tree in the Basilica for you. Please choose a boy or girl and purchase a gift or gifts for them. They provide ideas but you are not obligated to purchase those items. We appreciate what you can give to make our children feel special during this Christmas season. Please attach the angel to the gift, and return unwrapped to the Rectory by December 7. Thank you.

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.

Did You Know?

Our Lady of Victory National Shrine and Basilica's weekly bulletin can be viewed online. Visit the parish website at www.ourladyofvictory.org. Go to Masses and Sacraments, then click on Weekly Bulletin and select the date of the bulletin you wish to view.



Sidewalk Advocates for Life Training Opportunity

Learn how to be a loving, successful presence on the sidewalk. Learn how to reach the abortion-minded person with effective ways to communicate and instill confidence in their ability to give life to their child.

- ◆ Tuesday, December 4, 2018
- ◆ 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- ◆ The Marian Room

Registration Limited. Please RSVP to Sarah Lindstrom at olvprolife@gmail.com no later than Wednesday, November 28. For more information, call 716-847-2205 or email Sarah.



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!

If you would like to attend this year's Altar & Rosary Christmas Party, please place your dinner fee (\$25.00 per person) in an envelope. PRINT your name, address, phone number and number of people attending on the outside of the envelope, and put it in the weekend collection. The cut off date for making reservations is November 28.

Updates Wanted

Did you *move*? Are you *moving soon*? Did your *phone number* change? Are you new to the parish and *not registered*? Are your *envelopes* not coming to your home? Do you have any changes in your *family status*? Are you a *newlywed* planning to remain in the parish?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, please call the rectory (828-9444) and help us to update our records. Often mail is returned to us because of an incorrect address and this is costly to the parish.

Also, be sure to use your envelopes so that we can give you proper credit for your participation and financial support. This is important for your year end income tax preparation and also so that we can provide you with a letter of recommendation if you are asked to be a sponsor. Thank you for your help in keeping our parish records accurate!



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 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 3rd 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/>
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**Vocation Thought
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

God has given us many opportunities to serve Him, but we do not know when our final opportunity will come. We only know that time continues to pass. Before any more time is wasted, ask God how He is calling you to serve Him. If you think God is calling you, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. Check out the “Priest of the Month” stories on the Vocation Website at www.buffalovocations.org.

AREA HAPPENINGS

Run with the PAC 5K Race: On *November 18, Holy Cross Cemetery*, 2900 South Park Avenue, **will be closed to pedestrian and vehicular traffic from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.** for the Run with the PAC 5K race. For more information, please contact Paul Pulinski at 716-345-7513.

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

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.

Blood Drive at *Lake Erie Italian Club* Small Hall, 3200 South Park Avenue, on **Tuesday, December 11, from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m.** For an appointment, please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org. Walk-ins welcome!

St. Francis High School: Vocal Christmas Concert on Thursday, December 13, at 7:00 p.m. in Alumni Hall Theatre featuring the Chorus classes, Men’s Choir and Senior Schola. **Instrumental Christmas Concert on Tuesday, December 18, at 7:00 p.m.** in Alumni Hall Theatre featuring the Concert Band, Jazz Messengers and K-OS. All of the performances are free of charge.

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— Mark 13:31

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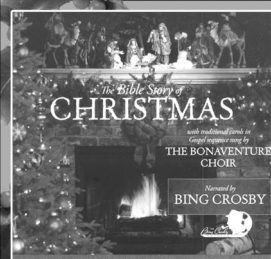
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