

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

DAILY MASS – Mon - Thurs 8:30 am (except where noted)

Monday, Dec 4	Rita Lopus <i>St John Damascene, Priest/Doctor of the Church</i> <i>Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11</i>
Tuesday, Dec 5	Marion Boehm <i>Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24</i>
Wednesday, Dec 6	Leocadia M Lewandowski <i>St Nicholas, Bishop</i> <i>Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37</i>
Thursday, Dec 7	Amanda Klonowski <i>St Ambrose, Bishop/Doctor of the Church</i> <i>Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;</i> <i>Mt 7:21, 24-27</i>
Friday, Dec 8	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (73rd Anniv of OLV Founding) (8:30 am) Joseph Rickert (6:30 pm) Rosary (7:00 pm) Brian McCrory <i>Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98: 1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12;</i> <i>Lk 1:26-38</i>
Saturday, Dec 9	(9:00 am) Confessions (5:00 pm) Ilario & Caterina Cavallaro <i>St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin</i> <i>Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8</i>
Sunday, Dec 10	(9:00 am) For the Parishioners (11:00 am) Andy Naglak 2nd Sunday of Advent <i>Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85: 9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8</i>

(Incense used both Masses)

Check us out on Facebook at: **Our Lady of Victory Church**, and our youth page at: **Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church Youth Ministry!**



Sharing our Treasure

Regular Collection (11/19/17)	\$10,894.06
# of Children's Envs Rcvd.....	2
Faith Direct (11/15/17)	\$ 5,374.00
Regular Collection (11/26/17)	\$ 7,269.40
# of Children's Envs Rcvd.....	1

Our "Love God. Love Others. Make Disciples." Increased Offertory

Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted their Commitment Card to the Church. For those who have not, a letter will be mailed to you with a personalized Commitment Card. It is important that all parishioners complete a Commitment Card, as we will be providing a Summary Report in the near future, and need all commitments accounted for. If you have any questions regarding this initiative, please speak with any member of the Parish Finance Council (*Ken Rusinoff, Chairperson; Kathy Helmuth, Don McMullen, Julie Oliver, Cheryl Ray, Mark Salerno*) or contact Fr Mike at 633-3637 (mmatusz@ourladvofvictory.net). We also encourage all parishioners to consider Faith Direct, our electronic giving method. For questions on how to give electronically, visit the Parish website and click on "Online Giving", pick up a Faith Direct pamphlet located near the entrances of the Church, or go online to: www.faithdirect.net, click on "Donate Now" and enter our Parish Code of **OH669**, or call the Parish Office. Let us pray that God will bless us at this time, and bless this important effort. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

In Our Parish – What/Where/When

MONDAY, DEC 4, 2017

- Youth/Teen Choir Practice/Church/6:00 pm
- 5:00 Choir Practice/Church/6:30 pm
- K of C Member Mtg/Parish Ctr Rm 101/7:00 pm
- 9:00 Choir Practice/Church/8:00 pm

TUESDAY, DEC 5, 2017

- Children's RCIA/Parish Ctr Rm 102/4:30 pm
- Sponsi Dinner/Finnerty Hall/6:00 pm
- RCIA/Library/7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, DEC 6, 2017

- Men's Prayer Group/Church/6:30 am
- AA Meeting/Parish Ctr Rm 100/10:00 am

THURSDAY, DEC 7, 2017

- Bible Study/Parish Ctr Rm 101/2:00 pm

FRIDAY, DEC 8, 2017

SATURDAY, DEC 9, 2017

- Confessions/Church/9:00 am

****Advent Collection of Paper/Personal/Food at Mass**

****Welcome Committee Taking New Registrations after Mass**

SUNDAY, DEC 10, 2017 – 2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- Child Liturgy of the Word/Parish Ctr Rm 100/9:00 am
- PSR 11th Gr Confirmation Class/Parish Ctr Rm 101/10:15 am
- PSR K-8/TMS/10:45

- Women's Advent Reflection/Parish Ctr Rm 101/4:00 pm

****Advent Collection of Paper/Personal/Food at both Masses**

****Youth Donut Sale after both Masses**

****Welcome Committee Taking New Registrations after both Masses**



Celebrating Notes

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (73rd Anniv of OLV Founding):

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception, giving honor to Mary, full of grace from the moment of her conception, is the Feastday of the U.S. We will have two Masses on *Friday, Dec 8, at 8:30 am and 7:00 pm*. Come early at 6:30 pm to pray the Rosary.



SCHEDULE FOR ALL LECTORS, EMs, SERVERS & WELCOME MINISTERS:

Soon we'll begin preparing the schedule for **Jan 13/14 through May 5/6, 2018**. Please send in the **Liturgical Ministers – Unavailable Days/Dates no later than Sunday, Dec 17th**.

ADVENT 2017:

Thank you to those who brought gifts, cookies, and candy this weekend!

✳ **NEXT WEEKEND: Dec 9-10**, we encourage you to bring **PAPER/SOAP PRODUCTS, personal grooming products, disposable diapers, or non-perishable FOOD to the wreath.**



✳ **PARISH ROSARIES** will be prayed at 6:30 pm on each Wednesday of the Advent season on 12/6, 12/13, and 12/20.

✳ **ADVENT EVENING PRAYER** will be each Wednesday of Advent at 7:00 pm, following the Rosary, on 12/6, 12/13, and 12/20.

✳ **YOU ARE INVITED TO HELP WITH CHRISTMAS EVE/DAY MASSES:** Youth/children, families, individuals are needed as candle bearers at Christmas Eve, and/or Ushers for Christmas Eve/Day Masses. Sign-up sheets will be on the tables near the entrances of the Church next weekend.

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1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- ✦ **EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION SIGN-UP SHEETS** will also be available next weekend. All-night Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be in Church Sunday evening, Dec 31, following the 5:00 pm Mass.
- ✦ **WE CAN USE YOUR HELP ON SATURDAY, DEC 16** to help light up the outside of the Church/Parish grounds. Gather with others at **10:00 am**.

Standing in the Gap Prayer Times:
Monday 9:30 am, 5:00 pm. Tuesday 4:30 pm, 5:45 pm.
Wednesday 1:00 pm, 6:00 pm. Thursday 1:00 pm.
Friday 9:00 am, 3:00 pm.

Coming Events/News in our Parish

EXTRA HANDS NEEDED FOR GOOD NEIGHBORS: Volunteers – please help by meeting us **in the Church on Sunday, Dec 3 at 3pm**, to help sort, pack and transport products to Good Neighbors, and again on **Sunday, Dec 10 after the 11:00 Mass**. Volunteers are also needed and appreciated **at the Community Center on Monday, Dec 4 from 9am-2pm, and Wednesday, Dec 6 from 10am-2pm**. Thank you!

LAST SPONSOR DINNER of the year - **Tuesday, Dec 5 at 6:00 pm** in Finnerty Hall! Entertainment will be “Steppin Out”! Our meal of chicken, pasta & meatballs, green beans, salad, and pie will be catered by Jim DiFeo. Please call Reuben & Nancy DiSalvatore 630-3955 ASAP, to let them know you’re coming. Cost is \$10.00 (cash only please).

YOU'RE THE MISSING PIECE! If you would like to become a member of our parish family at Our Lady of Victory, we invite you to stop back in Finnerty Hall on the weekend of **Dec 9/10** after any Mass, where a member of our Welcome Committee will assist you in filling out a Registration Form. Or you may come to the Parish Office any weekday during office hours. **Welcome home!**

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS – Next weekend, your generous support for our retired sisters will provide for their aging members, plan for their long-term needs, and help provide medications and nursing care. Thank you in advance for your help. Blessings!

Question of the Week
Reading: Mark 13:33-37
Adults: Four times today Jesus uses the word “watch”; we are told to be alert. What will you do this Advent to be attentive to His presence each day and to wait for His coming again in glory?
Children: Jesus in the Gospel today tells us, “Be watchful! Be alert!”. How can you be watchful and alert for Jesus coming to you each day?

“WHERE THERE IS LOVE, THERE IS GOD”. Join with other women of the parish on **Sunday, Dec 10**, during this holy season of Advent, to prayerfully reflect on our giftedness, and the opportunities to become holy through the works of love that we do. We will gather in Room 101 of the Parish Center **from 4-6 pm**. This reflection will be led by our own Rosemary Cochran, parishioner, teacher, retreat leader and spiritual director.

THE RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE is scheduled for **Monday, Dec 11, from 1-7 pm** in Finnerty Hall. Donors may take advantage of a new tool, allowing you to reduce the time you spend at the blood drive. Visit www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass ahead of your visit, answer the questions to complete your pre-reading, print your pass and bring it with you! Thank you!

JOIN US IN OUR PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY **Wednesday, Dec 13 at 1:15 pm** in the Parish Ctr Library. If you are aware of anyone who would benefit from receiving a blessed shawl, or need more information about this ministry, please call Rosemary at 633-8060 or Beth at 633-4759.



OUR MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP will meet in Parish Ctr Rm 100 on **Friday, Dec 15 at 11am**. This is an opportunity to join with others to share your stories, your memories, and check out some resources for your grieving process.

A NOTE FROM OUR BAZAAR CHAIR - “I would like to thank the wonderful people of our church community, who have been so supportive as I served as Head-Chair of the Christmas Bazaar for over 30 years. The proceeds from the event help support our funeral dinners and other charities. I hope that one of our members will prayerfully consider accepting the future role as Head-Chair. I will serve as an advisor the first year; there will be 8 Co-Chairs who will be serving with you! I will serve in the capacity of Co-Chair of the Basket Committee.”

Sincerely, Mary Gorman



CONGRATULATIONS to the 200 Club winner(s) for the weekend of **November 26, 2017:**
#113 – TONY & JANET MASIELLA - \$75.00

Celebrating the Sacraments

WELCOME NEWLY REGISTERED:

GARRY & SONIA FINCH FAMILY

ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS:
55TH:

LAWRENCE & JOAN KOVALCIK – 11/22/62

Caring Commission

Pray for the Sick: Leonard Davis, Linda Feezel, Clarence & Geri Florkiewicz, Michele Gray, Heidi Hinl, Helen Humble, Irene Ingram, George Morgan, Ally Obney, Cheryl Ray, Katrina Shunk, Jean Sibit, Eugene Torisky, Karen Treat.



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We pray with the Church that Sr Laura Bouhall, OSU, and Rev Paul Sciarotta may share in the peace and joy of the Risen Lord.

**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SPONSOR OF THE WEEK:**

**A Beautiful Child's**  
**Preschool & Daycare**  
*Caring for children 6 wks to 12 yrs of age*  
**6am-10pm, Monday-Friday**  
**1449 Brittain Rd, Akron**  
**330-798-1100**  
[abeautifulchild@neo.rr.com](mailto:abeautifulchild@neo.rr.com)

