

# Our Lady of Victories Church

(serving Harrington Park, River Vale, and the Pascack/Northern Valley)

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**First Friday:** 7:30pm, Mass of Sacred Heart & Devotions

**First Saturday:** 8:00am, Mass of Immaculate Heart of Mary

**First Saturday:** 12:00pm Mass for Souls in Purgatory

## Novenas prayed after 8:00 a.m. Mass:

**Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal:** Monday

**St. Jude and St. Anthony:** Wednesday

**Infant of Prague:** 25th of the month

**Rosary:** Recited M - Sat after 8:00am & 12Noon Mass.

**Tuesday-Novena Prayer and Adoration:** 2:00-3:00pm

**Thursday-Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction:** 7:00pm

**Friday-Exposition & Adoration:** 12:30PM-3:00pm

## THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/CONFESSION:

Monday - Friday 7:30am - 7:50am. First Friday at 7:00pm

Saturday at 11:00a.m.-Noon; 3:00pm - 3:25pm

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

To register for Baptismal preparation and Baptism, call the rectory.

## THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

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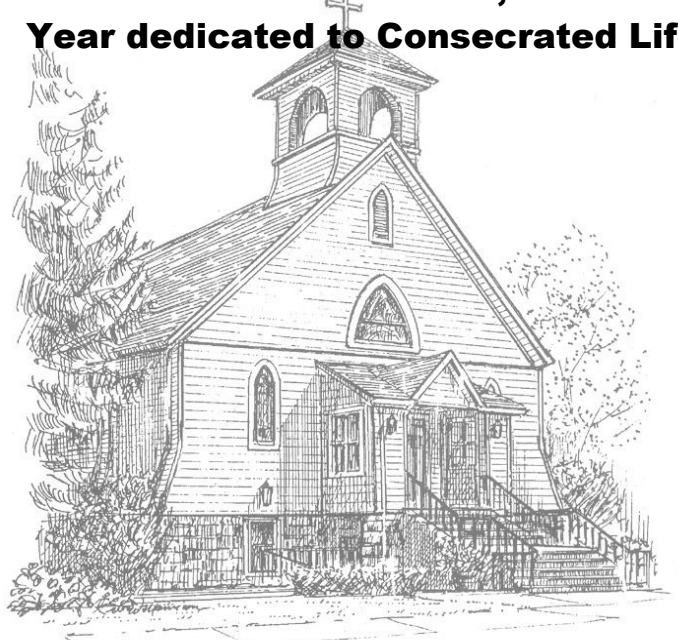
Sick calls at any time in emergency.

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS AND VOCATIONS:

Anyone contemplating a vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life should contact the Vocations Office at 973.497.4365.

**November 29, 2015 A.D.**

**Year dedicated to Consecrated Life**



# WELCOME

**To the Parish Family of  
OUR LADY OF VICTORIES  
(THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH THE BIG HEART)**

## COME WORSHIP WITH US

### Mass Schedule

**Saturday:** 4:00pm & 5:00pm

**Sunday:** 7:30am, 9:30am, 10:45am,  
12:00pm, 6:00pm & 7:00pm

**Latin Mass:** Every Sunday at 8:15am

**Weekdays:** M-Sat 8:00am & 12:00noon

### PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

All are welcome to become members of OLV Parish because we're the little Church with the BIG HEART. Please register in the Rectory. Every Catholic family or individuals living within the parish boundaries are encouraged to register.

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## **PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

Please **PRAY** in the name of **JESUS**, the Healer, that the **SICK** of **OLV PARISH** may be restored to health and all those who **ASSIST** and **CARE** for the sick will be given the **STRENGTH** to continue **GOD'S GOOD WILL**: Baby Luca, little Niamh Devlin, Br. Pius, Isabella Ruggiero, Maria Aleman, Kathleen Dolan, Thomas Haring, Arnold Kemner, Ken Mosier, Kathleen Musante, Dan Ragusa, Suzanne Rothschild, Wendy Ruggiero, Cookie Rush, Mildred Speck, Therese Vaglio, Darien Wesler, Al Wiese, Roy Wurtz, Marian Zanetti, Elaine Zito.

## **SPIRITUAL EXCERPT**

"What other nation is there so honored as the Christian people? Or what creature under heaven so beloved as a devout soul, to whom God cometh, that He may feed her with His glorious flesh? O unspeakable grace! O wonderful condescension, O infinite love, singularly bestowed upon man!"

Thomas a Kempis, *Imitation of Christ*, Bk. 4 ch 13.

## **GIVING TREE**

**Giving Tree Gifts must be brought to OLV by Sunday, December 13th.** Please remember the less fortunate as you shop and prepare for Christmas.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

The term Xmas is not a derogatory term, nor does it imply that Christ has been "crossed out" or "X'ed out" as some individuals may try to convince you. In Greek, the language in which much of the New Testament was originally written, the word Christ begins with the letter "Chi" which in Greek is written as an "X". The Church has always used the "Chi" or "X" to represent Christ.

## **THE FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS**

**O**n December 10, 1925 in Pontevedra, Spain, Our Lady appeared with the Child Jesus to Sr. Lucia and said: "Look, my daughter, at my heart, surrounded with thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. You at least try to console me and say that I promise to assist at the hour of death, with all the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, on the First Saturday of five consecutive months, shall: Confess—Receive Holy Communion—Recite five decades of the Rosary—Keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on fifteen mysteries of the Rosary with the intention of making reparation to me."

## **SAVE USED EYEGLASSES**

The OLV Knights of Columbus collects used and old eyeglasses for the less fortunate. Any old or "retired" glasses may be left at the rectory.

## **CONVALIDATION**

Were you married civilly by a mayor or justice of the peace and would now like to be married in the Catholic Church? See Fr. Bryan for more details and to see if your marriage can be regularized with the Church.

## **SICK OR "HOMEBOUND"**

If you are sick or "homebound" (or know someone who is), and would like to have Communion, please contact the Rectory at 201-768-1706.

"I don't make jokes.

I just watch the government and report the facts."

Will Rogers

## **ADVENT**

**A**dvent means "coming" and is a time when many prepare for Christ's coming/return. Advent begins four Sundays before Christmas and ends on Christmas Eve. Many Christians use an Advent wreath or Advent calendar to mark the days leading up to Christ's Mass a.k.a. Christmas, which was a holy day from which we get the word "holiday". In the Middle Ages, people believed Christ's return was imminent, so the weeks before Christmas were set aside to prepare for the Second Coming.

## **Catholic Daughters of the Americas**

CDA is a national organization dedicated to prayer, good works, and the helping of others less fortunate. You will make new and dear friends and have fun while enriching your life and others. Regular meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of every month in the lower church at 7PM. Please contact ReneeTringali@gmail.com or 201-913-2580.

## **HOLY HOUR AT OLV**

**Every Tuesday** from 2:15-3:15PM. **Every Thursday** at 7PM OLV has a Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Prayers and Quiet Time. **Every Friday** OLV has Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 12Noon to 3PM. Stop by and make a visit to our Eucharistic Lord.

## **YG Christmas Greens Sale**

The Youth Group of Our Lady of Victories Parish is conducting a wreath and grave blanket sale. All proceeds of this sale will support our Youth Ministry Program. We will be selling an assortment of sizes and styles. Payment should be included with your order in cash or by check payable to Our Lady of Victories. Thank you for your support.

## **PROJECT CHRISTmas**

**P**roject CHRISTmas will again be standing up during Christmas for the ability to openly wish others Merry Christmas and to Keep Christ in Christmas. We will stand in solidarity with the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Daughters. Are you willing to join our effort? Please contact Laura Scott - 201-768-1678 or the rectory.

## **Women's Dance Class—ZUMBA**

The women's Zumba exercise classes are held on Mondays 6:00PM in the gym and Thursdays 7:00PM in the Parish Center.

## **SPIRITUAL WARFARE**

We are constantly under attack and tempted by the forces of EVIL. Every Tuesday afternoon from 2:00-3:15PM members of OLV parish meet and pray the Marian Novena which focuses on this daily battle. All are welcome. Join us.

## **DEFEND YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH**

Over the course of the last generation, Christianity and in particular our Catholic Faith has been under attack. Anti-Catholicism is the last acceptable prejudice. What can we do about it? Besides prayer, all Catholics should join The Catholic League at [www.catholicleague.org](http://www.catholicleague.org) or 450 Seventh Avenue, NY, NY 10123 and receive the journal, The Catalyst, which has articles detailing where Catholicism is under attack and by whom. As Christmas approaches, we will see secularism creep in and try to wrestle and strip the season of its Christian elements. **Remember Christ is the reason for the Season.**

### **Upcoming OLV Parish Events**

Nov 30—Mon—Zumba 6:00PM OLV Gym  
Nov 30—Mon—Women of Grace 7:30PM  
Dec 1 -Tue – Marian Novena Prayer 2:00-3:00PM  
Dec 2—Wed—OLV Bible Group 10:00AM  
Dec 2—Wed—OLV Needlers 6:30PM  
Dec 3—Thu—Zumba 7:00PM School Parish Center  
Dec 4—Fri— Adoration from 12:30PM-3:00PM  
Dec 4—Fri—Mass of Sacred Heart 7:30PM  
Dec 5- Sat—Confessions 11:00-12:00Noon 3:00/3:25PM  
Dec 13-Sun-Advent Evensong Concert/Prayer Service 3:00pm  
Dec 13—Sun—Giving Tree Gifts due back  
Dec 15—Tue—Blessing of water, salt and oil after Marian Novena  
Dec 16—Wed—Silent Night Holy Night 6:30-9:00PM  
Jan 23—Sat—K of C Beef Steak  
May 14—Sat- FIRST HOLY COMMUNION  
May 22—Sun—Confirmation 2:00PM  
May 30—Mon—Fr. Innocent CFR First Mass and Reception at OLV 1PM

### **Jesus asked one thing from us!!!**

On His last night of earth (Holy Thursday) Jesus asked His disciples one thing – to stay awake with Him for one hour. Every Thursday evening we at OLV try to fulfill this request by having a Holy Hour from 7-8PM. Join us in carrying out Jesus' request.

### **'Twas the month before Christmas**

'Twas the month before Christmas when all through our land, not a Christian was praying nor taking a stand. Why the PC Police had taken away, the reason for Christmas - no one could say. The children were told by their schools not to sing, about Shepherds and Wise Men and Angels and things. It might hurt people's feelings, the teachers would say, December 25th is just a "Holiday". Yet the shoppers were ready with cash, checks and credit, pushing folks down to the floor just to get it! CDs from Madonna, an X BOX, an I-pod. Something was changing, something quite odd! Retailers promoted Ramadan and Kwanza in hopes to sell books by Franken & Fonda. As Targets were hanging their trees upside down, at Lowe's the word Christmas - was nowhere to be found. At K-Mart and Staples and Penney's and Sears, you won't hear the word Christmas; it won't touch your ears. Inclusive, sensitive, di-ver-si-ty, are words that were used to intimidate me. Now Daschle, Now Darden, Now Sharpton, Wolf Blitzen. On Boxer, on Rather, on Kerry, on Clinton! At the top of the Senate, there arose such a clatter to eliminate Jesus, in all public matter. And we spoke not a word, as they took away our faith. Forbidden to speak of salvation and grace, the true Gift of Christmas was exchanged and discarded. The reason for the season, stopped before it started. So as you celebrate "Winter Break" under your "Dream Tree", sipping your Starbucks, listen to me... Choose your words carefully, choose what you say, Shout MERRY CHRISTMAS, not Happy Holiday!

### **THE CHURCH & CREMATION**

**Are Roman Catholics allowed to be cremated? YES.** In May 1963, the Vatican's Holy Office lifted the prohibition forbidding Catholics to choose cremation. This permission was incorporated into the Code of Canon Law of 1983, as well as into the Order of Christian Funerals.

### **ACT OF CONTRITION**

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Amen.

### **WORKERS NEEDED**

The Harvest is great but the laborers are few. Pray to the Lord to send more laborers into the harvest. Become a Priest or Religious Brother or Sister or Permanent Deacon. For information see Fr. Bryan or call the Vocations Office 973-497-4365.

### **SAFETY TIPS**

**P**astor Steve Breazier of Monterey, CA offered these "safety tips": Do not ride in an auto – they cause 20% of all fatal accidents. Do not stay at home – 17% of all accidents happen there. Do not walk in the street – 15% of all accidents occur to pedestrians. Do not travel by air, rail or water – 16% of all accidents result from these activities. Only .001% of all fatal accidents happen in church!

### **LOT'S WIFE**

The Sunday School teacher was describing how Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt, when little Jason interrupted, "My Mommy looked back once while she was driving," he announced triumphantly, "and she turned into a telephone pole!"

### **SANTA CLAUS**

**O**ur Santa Claus is really St. Nicholas, who was a bishop in Asia Minor during the 4<sup>th</sup> Century. St. Nicholas gave many gifts anonymously in his lifetime and became known as the protector of children. The Dutch settlers brought the tradition of St. Nicholas with them to America, where they celebrated his feast day on December 6<sup>th</sup>, which is near Christmas time. The Dutch version of this Saint was called "Sinterklaas". Santa Claus became an Americanization of that name.

### **ARE YOU NEW TO THE AREA?**

If you are, why not join our ever-growing Parish family. Stop by the Rectory any weekday and meet Maria and register to become a member of the OLV Family. Census forms are also located in the Church vestibule.

### **CCD CORNER**

As you know every Sunday morning during the 10:45 Mass we conduct the **Children's Liturgy of the Word**. It is during this time the younger children are given a more "age appropriate" explanation of the Sunday Readings. We have continued this practice with our Monday afternoon classes. Mrs. Joan Leyden, one of our 3rd grade teachers, has volunteered to lead our children in understanding what scripture is saying to us. It is an interactive learning experience where all the children and teachers participate. We invite anyone who would like to see and witness these unique presentations to drop in on Sunday mornings or stop by our school on Monday afternoons at 4:00.

"In regard to this Great Book, I have but to say, it is the best gift God has given to man. All the good the Savior gave to the world was communicated through this book." **Abraham Lincoln Sept. 7, 1864, upon receiving the gift of a Bible**

*"Sunday is the property of our good God; it is his own day, the Lord's day."* **Saint John Vianney**

O Christmas Tree!

The tradition of the Christmas Tree began in Germany in the 1600's. German immigrants and Hessian troops during the Revolution brought the tradition to America. In fact, legend has it that the Hessian troops were so reminded of home when a tree was candlelit in December of 1776, that they abandoned their posts to celebrate. That night George Washington and his army attacked and defeated them at the Battle of Trenton, a turning point of the American Revolution. It wasn't until the 1890's that Christmas trees and ornaments became a part of the traditional American Christmas. By then one in five American families had a Christmas tree. Twenty years later, the custom was pretty much universal in the United States.

The National Christmas Tree stands in Washington D.C. near the White House. It was lit for the first time by President Calvin Coolidge in 1923. The tradition has lasted for the past 86 years with little variation. In 1963, following the assassination of President John Kennedy, the lighting was postponed until the 30 day period of mourning ended. In 1979, only the star on the top of the National Christmas tree in Washington was lit to honor American hostages in Iran.

Another tree, called the "Nation's Christmas Tree" is located in King's Canyon National Park near Sanger, California. The tree received its official designation in 1925. It is approximately 267 feet high, 40 feet across its base and is estimated to be between 1500 and 2000 years old. In 1956 it was also declared a shrine to honor those who serve in the U.S. Military. In their honor, Park Rangers place a wreath at its base during the Christmas ceremony held there every year since 1925.

Another very famous tree around Christmas time stands in Rockefeller Center in New York City. The tradition began in 1931 when construction workers at the Center placed a tree in the dirt at the site. That year, in the midst of the Great Depression, the tree symbolized not only Christmas but also hope and the invincible human spirit. The tree was first decorated in 1933, predating the outdoor Skating Rink it overlooks today, by 3 years. Today more than 25,000 lights grace the tree, but there are no ornaments other than the star on top.

The idea of electric Christmas lights to replace candles on the Christmas tree belonged to Edward Johnson, an assistant to Thomas Edison. The first American President to bring a Christmas tree into the White House was Franklin Pierce in 1856. Christmas Trees are grown in all of the United States. An average acre holds about 2,000 trees. Nearly 80,000 Christmas Trees are planted each year.

OLV K of C Council #14483

All men over the age of 18 are cordially invited to join the OLV Knights of Columbus Council. The Knights are the largest Catholic Fraternal Organization in the world. For info call Rich at 201-767-6689.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas Cards began in 1843 when a young British civil servant, who had no time to write Christmas letters to all his friends and relatives, asked an artist to design a card for him with the words: "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you." The card showed a family raising their glasses in a toast, which angered English Puritans who declared it promoted drunkenness! But 1,000 cards were sold at a penny a piece, and since the first "cheap" stamp had been introduced in Britain in 1840, a new tradition began! A few years later, an American of German descent, Louis Prang, the "father of American Christmas Cards," designed and printed beautiful, but rather expensive, cards. Eventually, mass-produced, less expensive cards flooded the market; US companies began to make them when German products were "taboo" during WWI and WWII, and a 169 year-old tradition began!

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 30- St. Andrew, Apostle

8:00 Kevin D. Lagatol R/b the Lagatol Family
12:00 Jean McGuire R/b Robert McGuire
7:00 (Convent) Kenny Verlin R/b the Barrett Family

Tuesday, December 1-St. Florence of Asia Minor-Laywoman

8:00 Natalia Pascual R/b Esty Parlanti
12:00 Mary J. Solimando R/b Dennis and Kathleen Falotico

Wednesday, December 2--St. Bibiana of Rome-Virgin and Martyr

8:00 Souls in Purgatory R/b Kamilla Eksner
12:00 John Zanetti R/b Thomas and Carol Walsh

Thursday, Dec. 3--St. Francis Xavier of Spain-Missionary Priest

8:00 Vincent Ricciardi Sr. R/b Bruce Michael Ricciardi
12:00 Veronica Kucera R/b Tony and Laura Scott

First Friday, December 4 - St. John of Damascus, priest, doctor

8:00 Anne Bellini R/b Carole Bellini
12:00 Giron Family R/b Raphael and Margoth Giron
7:30 Pete and Loretta Hackett R/b William and Carole DeBrino

First Saturday, Dec. 5--St. Gerald of France-Bishop of Braga, Spain

8:00 James McGrath Sr. R/b Dennis and Kathleen Falotico
12:00 Souls in Purgatory
4:00 Michael Giotta R/b the Giotta Family

Sunday, December 6-- St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra aka St. Nick

7:30 Victoria Mariani R/b Ralph and Pat Dinnell
8:15 People of the Parish

9:30 Thomas Wall R/b OLV Choir
10:45 June Porto R/b OLV CCD

12:00 Michael A. Casenta R/b Colleen Connors Casenta
6:00 John Zanetti R/b Helen Elrod

7:00 Anna Zwart R/b Eileen Fallon

Sanctuary Memorials

The Church Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for the intentions of Anthony and Gloria DiBari, in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary, r/b Dick and Barbara Rosenwald.

The Blessed Virgin Mary Votive Lamp burns this week for the repose of the soul of Betsy Clark, r/b John and Linda Russo.

The St. Joseph Votive Lamp burns this week for a Special Intention.

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

We are constantly under attack and tempted by the forces of EVIL. Every Tuesday afternoon from 2:15-3:15PM, members of OLV parish meet and pray the Marian Novena, which focuses on this daily battle. All are welcome. Join us.

SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT US

It is through the generosity of our advertisers that we are able to place this bulletin into your hands, each week, without cost to the Parish. Why not get into the habit of looking through the ads and giving your neighbors/merchants a chance to serve your needs. Tell them you read about them in the OLV Parish Bulletin.

Blessing of Water, Salt and Oil

After the Marian Novena prayers on Tuesday, December 15th, there will be blessing of water, salt and oil.

KIDZ KORNER ANSWERS

- 1. King Saul. 2. King David. 3. King Solomon. 4. The Queen of Shebah. 5. Israel and Judah.

"Just because you do not take an interest in politics doesn't mean politics won't take an interest in you!" -- Pericles (430 B.C.)

## Silent Night, Holy Night

*Silent Night, Holy Night* will be held at OLV on Wednesday, December 16, from 6:30PM to 9PM. During the season of Advent we ask everyone, young and not so young, to stop for 10 minutes from all the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season, and visit Jesus in His Church. The gift of time is so precious, but sometimes, especially around Christmas, we are so busy with last minute preparations that we forget about preparing our hearts and souls for the holy celebration of Christmas. As a family, what greater example can we give to our children than to come to God's house and in the silence of the night offer our prayers to Emmanuel — God with us. Please make the effort to come and allow the music of the season to prepare you for the Feast of Christmas.

### GETTING INTO HEAVEN

A CCD teacher was testing the children in the CCD class to see if they understood the concept of getting to heaven. He asked the children "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would that get me into Heaven?" "NO!" the children answered. "If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would that get me into Heaven?" Again, the answer was, "NO!" By now the teacher was overjoyed and starting to smile. Hey, this was fun! "Well, then, if I was kind to animals and gave candy to all the children, and loved my wife, would that get me into Heaven?" I asked them again. Again, they all answered, "NO!" The teacher was just bursting with pride for them. "Well," I continued, "then how can I get into Heaven?" A five-year-old boy shouted out, "YOU GOTTA BE DEAD!"

### GOD'S HOUSE

The Church is God's special dwelling place and some people come to pray, so please be aware of this and please refrain from idle chatter before and after Mass. We should behave differently in God's House as opposed to being at home, at the mall, a grocery store or a civic center.

### DYING TO DO...

First I was dying to finish high school and start college and then I was dying to finish college and start working. Then I was dying to marry and have children and then I was dying to have my children grow up and move out. Then I was dying to retire. But now I am dying... and suddenly I realized I forgot to live. Please don't let this happen to you - appreciate your current situation and enjoy each day. To make money we lose our health, and then to restore our health we lose our money... we live as if we are never going to die, and we die as if we have never lived.

### A COURAGEOUS CHOICE

Over 2000 years ago, an angel announced the pregnancy of a young unmarried girl. The courageous choice made by that young woman to give birth in difficult circumstances, supported by a man named Joseph, still stands as a model of God's way to handle unplanned pregnancy.

### SICK OR "HOMEBOUND"

If you are sick or "homebound" (or know someone who is), and would like to have Communion, please contact the Rectory at 201-768-1706.

Happiness is like your shadow. Run after it and you will never catch it, but keep your face to the sun, and it will follow you. The happiest people are those who discover that what they should be doing and what they are doing are the same things.

## FAMILY FRENDRY

We often say that where advertisers spend their money is a reflection of their corporate values. As consumers, where we shop is also a reflection of our values. When you're doing your Christmas shopping, let your values be your guide. The Parents Television Council's (PTC) list of Best and Worst Advertisers shows which companies have sponsored safe, family-friendly TV shows, and which have not. I encourage you to take these brands into consideration when you're making purchases for your family, at Christmastime and beyond. By "voting with your wallet," you are supporting the companies that make programming safe for your children or grandchildren, and also sending a message to the companies that are helping to underwrite some of the worst content on television.

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## KIDZ KORNER

1. Who was the first king of the Jewish nation?
2. What shepherd boy succeeded him?
3. Who was the wisest king of Israel?
4. What famous Queen came to visit this "wise" king?
5. What were the names of the two Jewish kingdoms in the Old Testament?

Answers on page 4

The only exercise some people get is always jumping to conclusions, sidestepping responsibility, dodging issues, passing the buck and pressing their luck!

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