

Our Lady of Victories Church

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

150 Harriot Avenue, Harrington Park, New Jersey

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WELCOME

Sunday, January 29, 2023 A.D.

**To the Parish Family of
OUR LADY OF VICTORIES**

The Little Church with the BIG Heart

Parish Office 201-768-1706

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SPECIAL MASSES OR DEVOTIONS:

First Friday: 7:00pm, 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. Anthony: Tuesday

St. Joseph: Wednesday

St. Jude: Thursday

Infant of Prague: 25th of the month

St. Peregrine: First Friday of the Month

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



**God chose the foolish of the world
to shame the wise,
God chose the weak of the world
to shame the strong... 1 Cor 1:27**

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION:

Mon.-Sat.: 7:30-7:50am. Saturday: 11:00-11:50am; 3:00-3:45pm

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

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

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

Call the Religious Ed Office for requirements/class schedule.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Please call the rectory for an appointment.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/LAST RITES:

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.



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Fr. Wojciech's Corner ...

We welcome in our midst Bishop Michael Saporito and thank him for celebrating the Family Mass this Sunday at OLV.

This Sunday we kick-off Catholic Schools week. As we know, it is a great sacrifice to send children to Catholic Schools. Thank you to all who do so. Thank you to all Catholic School teachers who, understanding the importance of Catholic education, are committed to work for even lower pay. Thank you to all who fight for our schools to remain Catholic.

February 2, we will celebrate the **Solemnity of the Presentation of the Lord** and give thanks for our consecrated religious, like Sr. Elizabeth, Sr. Mary, Sr. Susanne, all our priests and deacons coming from our parish. February 2 is also called candle Mass because of the blessing of candles which we will have at each Mass: 8AM and 12 Noon (and after Holy Hour that night). That Holy Hour will be offered for all consecrated. Sunday, February 12, our CCD students are inviting their **grandparents** to thank them for all they do. Biblical figures of Simeon and Anna are the best example of being fruitful even in their advanced age.

On February 3, feast of St. Blaise we will have our traditional Blessing of Throats, at 8AM and 12 Noon Masses and additionally after all Sunday Masses.

May our lives be consecrated to the Lord as Blessed Virgin Mary our patroness did and we will never be disappointed.

ALL HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH!!!

All High School youth are invited to join the OLV H.S. Youth Group. Come and check it out! We meet every two weeks. Join us Sunday, February 5 after 6PM Mass in the lower Church for **Roll into the Future** with Sushi rolls and Bento Boxes No need to sign up, just come.

SOUPer BOWL Canned Food Collection

Next weekend, February 4th and 5th, OLV will be collecting canned soups and other non-perishable canned food items for St Cecilia Food Bank in Englewood. Please bring your donations to the Church. Thank you.

2023 Annual Appeal

Next weekend will start our Annual Appeal. Please prayerfully consider donating to the Annual Appeal. OLV 2023 parish goal is \$55,441-with a stretch goal of \$65,143 (if we make stretch goal OLV receives rebate). Appeal envelopes are available in the church. To all those who helped us these past years, thank you and to all who will participate this year, please submit your Appeal donations to the OLV rectory, to ensure that our parish receives credit for the donations. For info/video visit olvhp.org and click on 2023 Annual Appeal.

First Thursday - First Friday - First Saturday

First Thursday - February 2 - Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 7:00PM-8:00PM.

First Friday - February 3 - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 12:30-7:00PM, confessions at 6:00PM followed by Devotions & Mass.

First Saturday - February 4 - 8AM Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30AM-11:50AM
12PM Mass will be offered for the Souls in Purgatory.

Presentation of the Lord—Candlemas



Mary and Joseph comply with the ordinance of bringing the 40-day old Infant Jesus to the temple and offering a sacrifice. Amidst the crowd of priests and people, the Savior of the world is known only by Simeon and Anna.

Simeon, who had been told by the Holy Spirit that he would not experience death until he had seen the Anointed of the Lord (the Messiah, the Christ), praises GOD and says he is now ready for death since he has seen "a revealing light for the Gentiles and the glory of GOD's people, Israel." Simeon goes on to say to Mary that the Baby she holds in her hands will be the downfall and rise of many in Israel and that Mary's own life will experience hardships because of the Infant.

The prophetess Anna also gives thanks to God as she recognizes that the Baby will be the source of deliverance for God's holy people. Simeon and Anna had seen thousands upon thousands of couples and their infants being brought to the temple over the years. Yet, both Simeon and Anna were attuned to God's presence in what some would call ordinary happenings in a way that others did not even have a clue. Based upon Simeon's proclamation that Jesus is the revealing light to the Gentiles, since the 8th century the church has blessed candles used in sacred worship on this day; hence, this feast is also called 'Candlemas'.

-EWTN, reflections by Bob.com

Catholic Schools Week starts this Sunday

Kudos to those Catholic Schools that have courage and stand in line with the Gospel and the Catholic Teaching

St. John's Academy, Hillsdale. Open House

Sunday, Jan 29: 11am-1pm & Tuesday, Jan 31: 9am-10:30am
Registration required at sjahillsdale.org/visit

2023 Catechism Lectures with Fr. John A. Perricone

Feb 8, Mar 8 & 22, Apr 12 & 26, May 10, Jun 7 & 21 7PM-9PM

"FOLLOW ME" Jesus is calling you

"Young people, Christ needs you if He is to accomplish His plan of salvation! Christ needs your youth and generous enthusiasm if the Gospel is to be proclaimed! Answer this call with the gift of your life to God and your brothers and sisters. Put your trust in Christ. He will not disappoint your desires and plans, but will fill them with meaning and joy. He has said: "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life" (Jn 14:6). Open your hearts trustfully to Christ! Allow His presence to be confirmed within you through daily, reverent attention to Holy Scripture, which constitutes the book of life and of those vocations that have been fulfilled. - St John-Paul II, 34th World Day of prayer for vocations, 1997;

Have you ever considered offering your life to the Lord?

Call (even if you are uncertain) and talk to Fr. Wojciech or Fr. Ed at the rectory or Vocations Office 973-313-6190.

CONFESsion/RECONCILIAtION

This sacrament is offered every weekday at 7:30AM-7:50AM, Saturdays from 11:00AM-11:50AM and 3:00PM-3:40PM, First Friday at 6PM. A Priest is also available to hear Confessions daily by appointment.

**In failing to confess, Lord, I would only hide
You from myself, not myself from You.-**

-Saint Augustine

Pray for Those in the Military

US Army

Captain Ben Clemente
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Specialist Peter Dippolito
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Prayer for the Safety of Soldiers

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in You will be glad and forever will shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of Your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of Your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise You for Your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Pray for Our Sick

Please Pray in the name of JESUS, the Healer, that the sick of the 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 Will: infants Cordelia, Emmet Fischer, Jonathan & Joseph; little boys Gabriel Aungst, Antonio and Shane, Michael Baruch, Julie Berbert, Richard Bolton, Robert Brawley, Paul Brennan, Dominic Carini, Kevin Columbo, Eddie Cooper, Marie D'Ascenzo, Maryann Dean, Vincent De-Paola, Marge Devitt, Guy DeSantis, Steven DiGirolamo, Lynne Diorio, Carl Falasca, Michael Fallon, Kathleen Falotico, Dan Filippone, Jeremy Fillis, Mary Foley, Walter Flaherty, Phil Gangusa & Vicki Ferrara, Leo Gendron, Ken Grier, Amy Hartwell, Martin & Mavis Ince, Rob & Dianne Kaiser, Dee Kaiser, Josephine Kasper, Pat Kissane, Christina Kenny, Joseph Koch, Mary Lowe, Robert Mayer, James McGarry, Michael McMahon, Kim McWilliams, Gianna Moscatello, Rose Marie Myers, Natalie Niebergall, John Pal, Tom Paskewich, Joan Phalon, Canice Prince, William Ragu, Dan & Phyllis Ragusa, Bill Raymond, Ryan Reid, Debra Rendon, Louise & Vincent Ricciardi, Veronica Romanchuk, Beth Sacco, Samantha Sconzo, Peggy Shadden, Carole Stonitsch, Charles Touw, Dan Touw, Aileen Vassar, Megan Weingarten, Hope White, Maria Williams, Daniel Wu, Mary Young, Brian, Carla, Chris, Christina, Dierdre, Edward, Elba, Jennifer, Joann, John, Karen, Lauren, Lisa, Lou, Lucas, Lynn, Mary, Margaret, Michelle, Patrick, Peter, Robert, Remy and Silvie, Samantha, Sean, Sharon, Steven, Tina W., Tom, Tara M.

Parish Registration All Roman Catholics over 18 years, even those not living on their own, are expected to officially register in their parish. If you do NOT receive the Easter or Christmas mailing, you are probably NOT registered! For more information, or to obtain a registration form, see a priest or deacon or call or email Maria at the parish office. Why register? We strongly encourage you to register, even if you do not wish to receive weekly contribution envelopes, so we can include you on our mailing list. Only registered members of the parish can enroll a child in Religious Formation, obtain a Sponsor Certificate or Godparent Eligibility Form, or any other recommendations or documentation. Parents of Catholic School children requesting a parish subsidy are required to be active parishioners both in Mass attendance and financial assistance to this parish. Furthermore, to obtain a Sponsor (Godparent) Certificate, letter of recommendation, or other documentation, you must fulfill any canonical (Church Law) requirements for such documentation.

FRIDAYS outside Lent

The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of Penance. Each individual should abstain from meat or may substitute some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

Mass Intentions

Monday, Jan. 30 - St. Bathildis of England, Queen, Widow, Nun	R/b Irene Ganssle
8:00 Paul Hennessey	R/b Rae Rinaldi
12:00 Herman Drent	
Tuesday, January 31 - Saint John Bosco, Priest	R/b Irene Ganssle
8:00 Paul Hennessey	R/b Paul and Lisa Meyer
12:00 Deceased of Meyer-Cornier Family	
Wednesday, February 1 -St. Bridgid of Dundalk, Ireland, Nun	R/b the Bland Family
8:00 John Tibbs	R/b Nick and Maria Busanic
12:00 John Scrivani	
Thursday, February 2 - Presentation of the Lord	R/b the McLaughlin Family
8:00 Paul Hennessey	R/b Mary Bardsley
12:00 Joan and Helen Kearney	
First Friday, February 3 - St. Blase, Bishop and Martyr	R/b Supple Family
8:00 Michael Covillo	R/b Family
12:00 Intentions of Sofia Jimenez	
7:00 Robert Rowe	R/b Michael and Mary Jane Ferro
First Saturday, February 4 - St. Veronica of Jerusalem-Virgin	R/b Michael and Barbara Fizulich
8:00 John Pantalon	
12:00 Souls in Purgatory	
4:00 Edward and Winifred Pavlu	R/b the Kip Family
5:00 Joseph LoVecchio - 5th Anniversary	R/b Marie Flahive
Sunday, February 5 - St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr	
7:00 Edward Whalen	R/b Joe Tobia
8:00 Anna Marie Beasom	R/b Greg and Susan Evanella
9:30 Joseph Sutter	R/b Carl and Ellen Sutter
10:00 gym Intentions of Michael Fallon	R/b Eileen Fallon
10:45 Martino Scrivani	R/b the Busanic Family
12:00 Fred Decroce	R/b the DeCroce Family
1:00 People of the Parish	
6:00 Joe Sterrett	R/b Gary and Virginia Hall

Sanctuary Memorials (this week)

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for all youth of our parish.
The Blessed Virgin Mary Votive Lamp will burn for the repose of the soul of Michael Giotta, r/b Anne Giotta.
The St. Joseph Votive Lamp will burn for the souls in Purgatory.
The Flowers for Bl. Virgin Mary and St. Joseph are in gratitude for those who have consecrated their lives to God.

My Parish—My Responsibility

Thank you to those who so generously continue to support our parish by mailing in your donations. At the same time, we understand that some have been laid off from their work or are experiencing decreased income and are unable to continue their donations at this time. *Donations/offering envelopes may be mailed to OLV Rectory, 81 Lynn Street, Harrington Park, NJ 07640.* Thank you for your generosity

ARE YOU NEW TO THE AREA?

If you are, why not join our ever growing Parish family. Register to become a member of the OLV Family. Census forms may be found on OLV's website olvhp.org and in the Church vestibule

Relevant Radio 1430am

The Patrick Madrid Show is your source for the latest in current events and contemporary issues. Have a question? Call and join host Patrick Madrid for compelling insights, lively conversations, and encouragement for your day!

Saturdays are dedicated to Our Lady.

REQUIREMENTS for GODPARENTS

Godparents play a very important role in your child's spiritual life as role models of the faith. They should support not only the child, but the parents as well. Additionally, in their role as godparent, they represent the larger Church community and this is a tremendous responsibility. The Church has provided guidelines to help parents choose the best possible godparents for their children in recognizing the importance of the godparent and their duties:

Godparent/Sponsor must be at least 16 years old.

Godparent/Sponsor must be in good standing with the Catholic Church. Must be a practicing Catholic (*Attend Sunday Mass weekly*).

Must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation. If married, must be married in the Catholic Church.

If single, not living with significant other, nor married civilly only.

Godparent/Sponsor cannot be the candidate's parent. Each child only requires one Godparent. If you wish to have two Godparents, there must be one female and one male. (*Canon Law 872-874*)

Respect Life

Any woman who is pregnant and in need of assistance? should **never** feel that abortion is her

only option. For personal and confidential assistance call the following :

Archdiocesan Respect Life Office: 973-497-4350

Gateway Pregnancy Center: Phone: 908-353-0604

Catholic Community Services: 201-246-7379

Birthright: 800-550-4900 Lifecall: 800-662-2678

Cancer Support Group: Prayer-based group meets first and third Fridays, 4pm-5pm at Our Lady of Sacred Heart School, Tappan, NY. For info' call Maureen Barbey 914-646-6014.

Someone You Know Addicted? Nar-Anon Family Groups in North Jersey. www.naranonofnj.org.

Are you an **ADULT** without Confirmation, Communion or Baptism?

If you want to become a Roman Catholic or complete your Initiation into the Church, the RCIA is for you! For information, phone the rectory. **Adult Catholics** who have not yet celebrated *Confirmation* or Holy Communion should contact the rectory for preparation class/information.

"wedding" at the venue (without dispensation) is not a valid Sacrament

Start your married life with God and receive grace for your married life through Sacramental Marriage in Church. In this Sacrament, God's own divine life can be experienced and lived. **Were you married only civilly** by a mayor or justice of the peace and would now like to be married in the Catholic Church? Contact Fr. Wojciech for details.

CCD Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday - Friday 10AM-2PM
every Sunday **Family Mass** every Sunday
10AM in OLV Gym

OLV Needlers If you'd like to learn to knit or crochet, everyone is welcome. We meet Wednesdays in the lower church at 6:00PM.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas For info' contact Marie 201-741-0499.

2023 Wedding Anniversary Masses

The Archdiocese of Newark is preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of Christian marriage in 2023. Couples deserving of such recognition are urged to participate. These liturgies will be celebrated at 3:00pm at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

Sunday, April 16, 2023 - 50 years

Sunday, May 7, 2023 - 5 & 25 years

Please call the OLV Rectory to register at 201-768-1706.

When Lighting a Candle

When you light a candle for another person or for your very personal intention, always remember that the candle prolongs your prayer. As long as the candle is burning, your prayer is rising to God. Like the candle is spreading light and warmth, so you can imagine that with your prayer, your love and the love of God is flowing towards the person for whom you pray. Your prayer makes the life of the person brighter and warmer. Your prayer brightens your vision so that with greater confidence you can look upon the person and see with the eyes of the Love of God. When you pray for a personal intention light will enter the darkness; hope fills you. You may trust that God himself looks upon you and HIS merciful love overshadows you.

A candle radiates a gentle light. In the dim light of a candle you will look upon people and on your own life with gentleness. In calmness you will also be able to look at your own faults to have them healed by God.

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Clothing Bins: Please donate clothes, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, novels, knickknacks, toys, & children's books. Please place donations INSIDE the bins (sometimes you have to push it in). Do not leave items outside. If you have any concerns please call the phone number on the outside of the bins.

Contribution Statements

2022 Contribution Statements are available. Please phone Maria at the rectory 201-768-1706 or email olvrectory.hp@gmail.com to request your statement.

KIDZ KORNER ANSWERS.

1. The Presentation of the Lord (4th Joyful Mystery of the Rosary).
2. St. Blaise 3. Jesus gave His disciples the Beatitudes.
4. Poor. 5. Peacemakers.

C.S. Lewis preached "Learning in War-Time" to Oxford students as World War II was beginning for England. In calling them to focus on their calling rather than their circumstances, he noted: "Happy work is best done by the man who takes his long-term plans somewhat lightly and works from moment to moment as to the Lord.' It is only our *daily* bread that we are encouraged to ask for. The present is the only time in which any duty can be done or any grace received."

February is dedicated to the Passion.

Blessing of the Throats

It's a lovely tradition with St. Blaise, who healed a boy with a fish bone stuck in his throat. St. Blaise is one of the Fourteen Holy Helpers (which also included saints such as St. Christopher, St. Erasmus, St. Denis of Paris, St. Barbara, St. Catherine of Alexandria and St. Giles.)



Feast of St. Blaise, it's time to get your throat blessed! For centuries, it has been a tradition for Catholics to have their throats blessed on the Feast of St. Blaise, the patron saint against throat ailments. The priest takes two unlit candles and crosses them. He places one on one side of the parishioner's neck and one on the other. And, the priest says this prayer:

By the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every malady of the throat, and from every possible mishap; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

Source: 1962 *Rituale Romanum*

Groundhog Day or Candlemas?

On February 2nd a quaint tradition unfolds, known well to schoolchildren and adults alike. The fate of Spring hangs in the balance as a burrowing animal looks for its shadow. But where did this tradition come from?

For centuries, February 2nd has been celebrated as Candlemas, also called the Feast of the Presentation, because it honors the day that Mary and Joseph presented the infant Jesus at the Temple. In bringing their child to the Temple and offering a sacrifice, Joseph and Mary complied with the Mosaic law (specifically Leviticus 12:6). As the Gospel of Luke recounts:

"And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord." (Luke 2:22)

Why is Candlemas on February 2nd? Candlemas is always on February 2nd because it is exactly 40 days (inclusive) after Christmas. The Mosaic law stated that 40 days was the period of purification after the birth of a child, and so the presentation took place 40 days after Jesus was born. So what's the connection to Groundhog Day? Candlemas became linked to weather predictions about the end of winter because of an old English poem:

*If Candlemas be fair and bright, Come winter, have another flight.
If Candlemas bring clouds and rain, Go winter, and come not again.*

Early February was a good time to predict the weather, especially as February 2nd marks the midpoint between Winter and Spring. And the English poem appears to be the source of the shadow connection: "fair and bright"=sun= shadows=more winter, while "clouds and rain"=no sun=no shadows=spring arriving soon. It seems counterintuitive (why should a sunny day mean more winter?), but this is the exact pattern that Groundhog Day follows.

The name Candlemas refers the traditional processions and blessing of candles that came to characterize the feast day. - CatholicCulture.org

DID YOU KNOW? Catholic Schools Week

Since 1974, National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It starts the last Sunday in January and runs all week, which in 2023 is January 29 – February 4. This year's theme, "**Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.**" focuses on the important spiritual, academic and societal contributions provided by a Catholic education firmly rooted in the Truth of the Gospel. Statistics for the 2018-2019 school year indicated there were 6,289 Catholic schools operating across the country.

Catholic schools are a great gift to the nation. 99 percent of Catholic school students graduate from high school and 88 percent of Catholic school graduates attend 4-year college (NCEA). Large numbers of Catholic schools provide top-quality education to very poor children. These children then become productive members of society. Catholic schools are a great well of vocations. The vast majority of priests and Religious graduated from Catholic schools. In this time of diminished vocations to the priesthood and religious life, we greatly help the cause of vocations and Church leadership by supporting Catholic schools. May the Lord bless all who support Catholic schools by their prayers and contributions.

World Day of Consecrated Life

In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. The celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life is transferred to the following Sunday in order to highlight the gift of consecrated persons for the whole Church.

A little humor ...

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray, "Take only one. God is watching." Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. One child whispered to another, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

A Jesuit, a Dominican, and a Franciscan were walking along an old road, debating the greatness of their orders. Suddenly, an apparition of the Holy Family appeared in front of them, with Jesus in a manger and Mary and Joseph praying over Him. The Franciscan fell on his face, overcome with awe at the sight of God born in such poverty. The Dominican fell to his knees, adoring the beautiful reflection of the Trinity and the Holy Family. The Jesuit walked up to Joseph, put his arm around his shoulder, and said, "So, have you thought about where to send him to school?"

KIDZ KORNER

1. What Solemnity do Catholics observe on February 2
(it is also one of the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary)?
2. Name the Saint who saved a choking child?
3. What did Jesus give the disciples in the Sermon on the Mount?
4. Blessed are the ??? In spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.
5. Blessed are the ???, for they will be called children of God.

Answers on page 4.

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