

ABOUT OUR LADY OF VICTORY SCHOOL

WHO SENDS THEIR CHILDREN TO OLV SCHOOL?

People who believe that education should include not only academics but spiritual growth. OLV School has an excellent academic record. Professional teachers, active and concerned parents, excellent administrators, and an environment conducive to learning, form the basis of a winning educational program.

Our Lady of Victory School adds another important aspect to the formation of our students - religion. At Our Lady of Victory School, your child receives the message of the Gospel during religion class and throughout the day. Everything we do is based on Jesus' teachings of love. We strive to impart Christian principles to our children in a way that has successfully produced young adults for many years - who go forth with an excellent academic background and a desire to serve the Kingdom of God.

OUR PURPOSE

At Our Lady of Victory School, we believe that our purpose is to provide for the education and gradual growth and development of the whole child - spiritually, intellectually, socially, emotionally, and physically, by meeting the needs of each individual child within a Christian atmosphere.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

We, the teacher-educators of the children of Our Lady of Victory School, hold the following statements to be the philosophy of our school:

- We provide the proper atmosphere for the building of a Christian-faith community based on one's relationship with self, with God, and with others;
- We transmit our faith in Christ to others by our example and we teach the truths of our Catholic faith in an atmosphere permeated with Christian values and attitudes; and
- We enable and encourage our students to make moral decisions and to enhance them by personal choice.
- We as educators must help the child to accept and strengthen the gift of faith that God freely gave at Baptism.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Victory Parish School is a community rooted in strong Catholic values and traditions under the guidance of our Patroness the Blessed Mother. We are dedicated to the pursuit of academic excellence developing students who are independent thinkers and problem solvers for the 21st century. Our Lady of Victory School community reaches its mission in a safe, nurturing, supportive and friendly environment.

ADMINISTRATION

A dedicated organization of Catholic lay faculty and staff. We have 18 teachers for Kindergarten to Grade 8, five teachers for Pre-kindergarten and Nursery, five teachers for special programs in Art, Music, Computer, Physical Education and Spanish, and 1 full-time school nurse. OLV School also employs seven teachers' aides for grades Nursery through Kindergarten.

REGISTRATION

We are a Nursery through 8th grade Catholic parish school serving Our Lady of Victory Parish. Requests for registration appointments are accepted beginning on the day school re-opens after Christmas recess. Our registration takes place in February and is filled first from those students moving up in the grades. For the Early Childhood Program, the students must have reached the age listed by December 1st following the fall they enter school:

- Nursery – 3 years old
- Pre-Kindergarten – 4 years old
- Kindergarten – 5 years old

Requirements for registration of new students: Birth Certificate, Baptismal Certificate, \$200 Registration Fee (non-refundable), Proof of Address (ie: PSEG bill), and Immunization Record. Transfer students for Grades 1-7 must provide a copy of their standardized test scores and a copy of their last report card. Interviews may be requested for grades 1-7.

PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

OLV School has 20 classrooms, a library, a fully equipped Computer Lab with 30 student stations, a gymnasium (also used for assemblies and performances), a resource room, a cafeteria, SmartBoard interactive blackboards in all classrooms, two computers in every classroom, and “safe search” internet access. Grades 3 to 8 benefit from a one-to-one device program. Additionally, grades Nursery through 2nd have access to dozens of iPads.

HISTORY

Our Lady of Victory School was opened in 1931. Until the school building was finished in 1932, the Sisters of Saint Joseph taught the students in the convent. In 1962, a new wing was added to the school. It houses eight additional classrooms and a school cafeteria. Our Lady of Victory School enrollment approaches 400 students from Nursery to Grade 8, and is fully accredited by the Diocese of Rockville Centre and the New York State Education Department.

The Coat of Arms

The upper half center of the design displays a galley ship surrounded by rosary beads, symbolizing the victory of the Christian fleet during the Crusades which met the Turkish forces at the Battle of Lepanto in the Gulf of Corinth on October 7, 1571; on the left, a long sword symbolizes the Christian forces, and on the right, a scimitar - the sword of the Turkish forces. The lower half of the design displays, on the left side, three roses - the symbol of the Village of Floral Park; in the center - the bejeweled letter “M” for Mary and the crown for the Queen of Heaven; and on the right, the tree is the symbol of the Village of Bellerose.



STUDENT PARTICIPATION

Liturgies and Prayer Services, Service Projects, Altar Serving, Student Council, National Junior Honor Society, Cultural Arts Programs, Chorus and Band, Essay and Poster Contests - including Right to Life, World Hunger and Humane Society. And many, many after school clubs.