Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

May 6, 2018

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Sunday, 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday-5:00 p.m., Sunday-7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.
Monday-7:00 p.m., Wednesday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE: Saturday, 3:30 p.m.

MISSION STATEMENT

"As Disciples of Jesus Christ, we are a giving, growing Catholic family. Through the intercession of Mary, we pray, we worship, we serve and we educate in Faith."

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Timothy Recognition Awards

For over the past twenty years, the Youth Ministers from the Northwest and Western Wayne Vicariates in the Archdiocese have collaborated in an event of recognition to honor young people and acknowledge their efforts in leadership, Christian service, or commitment to their parish, family, community, or school. This is called the "Timothy Recognition." Criteria for this award is based **not** based on athletic nor academic performance.

On Sunday, April 22, five teens from **Our Lady of Victory Parish** were recognized at this ceremony held at St. Edith, in Livonia. This year's guest speaker was Bishop Gerard Battersby joined by archdiocesan representatives. Those recognized were **Libby Boyd, Sean English, Jacob Frost, Matthew Martin and Brendan McCarthy**. We have so many great teens in this parish, but we are pleased to have these young men and women, who have given so much of themselves to receive this recognition. We applaud and congratulate them!

Around the Table

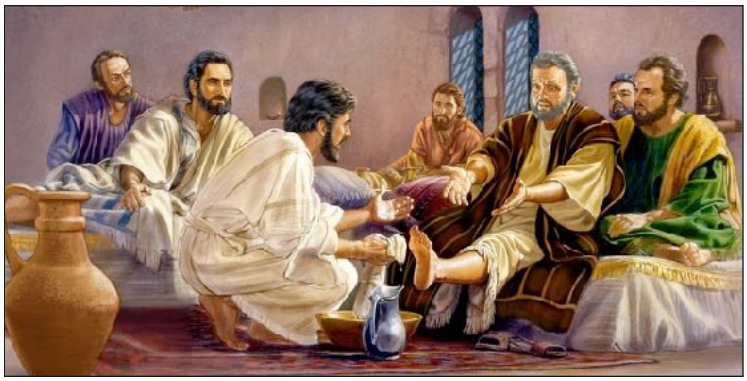
Rev. Denis B. Theroux, Pastor

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Dear Friends,

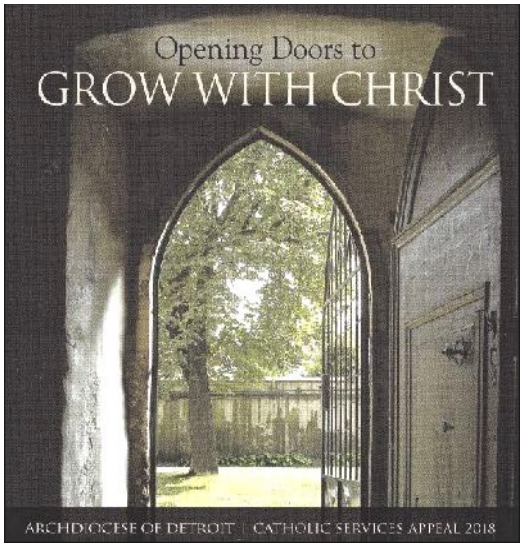
Psychologists and other students of human nature generally agree that in a human relationship power and love are incompatible with one another. As long as one person insists on being superior to, or manipulating or controlling of the other person, there can be no real reciprocal love. It is true that the outsider may think that the relationship is going smoothly enough. The people in it may seem to be getting along well enough; but beneath all this there is no real love because love is something that must be mutually and freely given. For this mutuality and freedom to exist, the people in the relationship must have some standing of equality. Where one person has power over the other, equality is ruled out and, consequently, so are friendship and love.

Today's Gospel from Saint John is a continuation of Last Sunday's reading of Jesus' Last Supper discourse to His disciples on the eve of His passion and death. In that scene of the Last Supper, where Jesus gets down on His knees and washed the feet of the Apostles, we see truly enacted, the notion of friendship and love. In his words as well, we see Jesus disavowing any power or wish to dominate. On the contrary, by washing the feet of His Apostles, Jesus gives up all power over them. He also makes that beautiful statement, **"I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father."** Jesus is putting the Apostles on "par" with himself. This action makes true friendship possible.



For each of us, this should be a most reassuring and consoling concept. Jesus, by becoming, **"one like us in all things, but sin,"** shows himself our equal; our friend. But then Jesus says we are to love one another as He has loved us. This means that we must, as Jesus did, give up the need to dominate or manipulate others. Rather, we must relate to them as Jesus related to His Apostles. This is the core concept of Christianity and this is how we, as Christians, must attempt to live our lives. And the way we love and relate to one another will also reflect the way we love and relate to Jesus and follow the example He gives us!

Trying to follow in the way of the Lord, Jesus, *Father Denis*



2018 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

This year's CSA theme is ***Opening Doors to Grow with Christ***, which suggests that our loving and generous Father asks us to open the doors of our hearts to grow in our love of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Gifts to the CSA make possible a wealth of ministries, programs, and services that touch the lives of thousands of Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Detroit each day. No one parish, on its own, could provide all of the blessings that benefit so many.

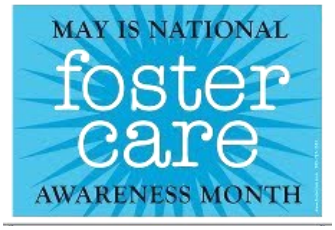
The 2018 CSA pledge and prayer cards, along with a letter from Fr. Denis, have been mailed out. This year the Archdiocese of Detroit has set our quota at **$204,741**. Please prayerfully consider the most generous gift possible to support the 2018 CSA. You may bring your completed pledge card to Mass next weekend or drop it by the parish office. You may also pledge your gift to our parish's campaign online, using your debit or credit card, at *http://olv.aodcsa.org*.

More details can be found on our website, *www.olvnorthville.org*. Thank you for your support!

Faith in Action is LOVE—Love in Action is SERVICE

Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

HIS HANDS HIS FEET



There are now over 13,000 Michigan children in foster care:

- ***1 in 5 or more will become homeless after age 18.***
- ***7 of 10 women will be pregnant by their 21st birthday.***
- ***Just half will be employed at 24.***
- ***Fewer than 3% will earn a college degree by 25.***
- ***1 in 4 will be incarcerated within two years of leaving foster care.***

Help to prevent our children and youth from suffering from future incarceration, homelessness, unemployment, generational poverty and human trafficking.

MICHIGAN ADOPTION RESOURCE EXCHANGE

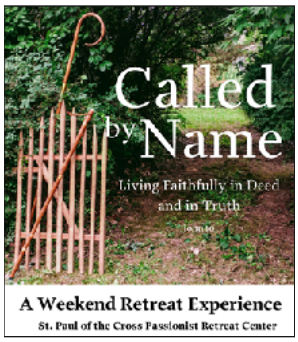
The **Michigan Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE)** is a statewide information and referral service for families interested in adopting children from foster care, and for adoption workers looking for homes for these children. You may contact the Michigan Adoption Resource Exchange at (734) 528-2070 or *www.mare.org*.

Foster Care NAVIGATOR

A **Foster Care Navigator (FCN)** is someone who serves as a liaison between current and prospective foster parents and their agency. Each FCN will mentor, through their own experience, parents navigating through the world of foster care. Contact the Foster Care Navigator Program at 855-MICHKIDS or *www.fcnp.org*.

FFS FOSTERING FUTURES Scholarship Trust Fund

MET's **Fostering Futures Scholarship Trust Fund** assists young adults that have experienced foster care and attend college. Seventy percent of teens who emancipate from foster care report that they want to attend college, but fewer than ten percent who graduate from high school enroll in college, and of those less than one percent graduate from college. For more information or to make a donation, go to *www.fosteringfutures-mi.com*.



Register Now!
Women's Weekend Retreat: May 11-13

Come and join other OLV women as you experience God's loving presence and focus on this year's theme: "*Called by Name: Living Faithfully in Deed and in Truth*".

St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat & Conference Center
23333 Schoolcraft, Detroit, MI 48223
Register at (313) 535-9563 or *www.stpaulretreat.org*

MAY Collection Items

Place in designated bins by Stairs to Fr. Ernie Center

IMMEDIATE HELP IS NEEDED!!

Please no perishable or expired items

Civic Concern

Targeted Items for this month: **Cereal, Oatmeal, Breakfast Bars, Tuna, Canned Fruit, and Soup. ALL other items are welcome, too!**

St. Christine's Food Pantry

We are collecting the following items: **peanut butter and jelly, cans of tuna, salmon or chicken, as well as rice and noodle dishes, and canned vegetables. ALL other items are welcome, too!**

ST. DOMINIC outreach center

Dominic's Disciples
Saturday, May 12, 9:30 a.m.

OLV's Dominic's Disciples, goes each month to St. Dominic's Outreach Center in Detroit to help with various tasks depending on the season. Volunteers sort and fold clothes, organize the food pantry, cut the lawn, weed, trim, etc. Come each month or come when you can!

We meet at the Center at 9:30 a.m. and return to OLV by 12:30 p.m. If you would like to be part of Dominic's Disciples, please contact Nancy Tolkacz at *nancytolkacz@att.net*.

OLV St. Vincent de Paul Society | Conference #437

In the Gospel today (John 15:9-17), Jesus says to us, "This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you…You are my friends, if you do what I command you."

Your OLV SVdP Conference wishes to extend our THANKS to everyone for their generous donations of functional household items, furniture and clothing at last weekend's springtime "Fill the POD" event. It is truly a demonstration of your fulfillment of the commandment to love one another as Jesus has loved you.

We would also like to share with everyone the opportunity for children (ages 8-14) of any family in our community who are struggling financially or suffering other hardships to attended SVdP Camp Ozanam this summer, at no cost to the family. Camp Ozanam is a free week-long summer residential camp, where children enjoy the great outdoors as they develop a closer relationship with our Lord.

If you know of a family whose child(ren) would enjoy a week at Camp Ozanam or they would like additional information, please ask them to leave their name and contact number on the OLV SVdP Hotline (248) 349-2622 or e-mail to: *stvincent@olvnorthville.net* and one of our Vincentians will return their call.

If you are interested in knowing more about OLV's SVdP Ministry, please join us at our meeting this coming Tuesday, May 8, at 7:00 p.m., the St. John XXIII room.

Live Your Faith. Join the
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Since 1833, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has been servicing those in need.
Young Adult Conferences are now forming!

Grow spiritually. Help those in need. Develop Christian friendships.

CSA
CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

MINUTE

CSA Weekend

This weekend is CSA Weekend, which marks the beginning of our annual Catholic Services Appeal. The theme of the 2018 Catholic Services Appeal is *Opening Doors to Grow with Christ*. As we unleash the Gospel throughout the Archdiocese of Detroit, we grow in our love of Jesus as his missionary disciples.

Gifts to the CSA make possible more than 100 ministries, programs, and services that touch the lives of thousands throughout the Archdiocese every day. No one parish could provide all of these blessings, which benefit so many.

Our CSA is a pledge program, which allows you to spread your gift over several months. Please prayerfully consider the most generous gift possible to support the 2018 Catholic Services Appeal.

For more information about CSA-funded programs, ministries, and services, please go to *www.AOD.org*.

You are Invited!

Faith Communities Coalition on Foster Care

We welcome all interested people and are notifying churches of all faiths.

Monday, May 14, 6:15-8:00 p.m.
Western Wayne-Oakland County

First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth (FPCP)
701 Church St, Plymouth

Guest Speaker: **Arika Buford, Coordinator for the Transition to Independence (TIP) program at Wayne State University.**

Ms. Buford will explain the WSU program that is designed for aged out students in foster care. Also, students in the program will talk about their foster care experience and how WSU has helped them work toward their goals without family support.

As always, representatives of foster care-related agencies will be with us to share their information, needs and tell us how we can help support them! *Snacks are provided.*

We will have a **"frozen food" shower** for these WSU students. Please bring in a small frozen meal (lean cuisine, pizza, Stouffer's, etc.). These kids live off campus and often come to college hungry. Non-refrigerated healthy food is great if you can't keep something frozen. FPCP and Faith CC on Foster Care donated a refrigerator/freezer for them. For more information, visit www.faithcommunitiescoalition.org

Any questions? Please contact Peggy Fisher-Kmieciak at (313) 550-8116 or *pfk75@hotmail.com* or Sheila Henderson, (248) 756-4721 or *rjsah@sbcglobal.net*.

Please join us to learn more about ways to help the 13,000 children.

Golf to Serve Others: Upcoming Golf Outings in the Local Area

Angela Hospice 30th Annual Golf Outing

Monday, June 11, 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start
11:00 a.m. Lunch & Driving Range
Western Golf and Country Club, Redford

Join us for 18 holes of golf with a cart, scramble format, driving range access, buffet lunch, beverages and games on the course. All proceeds benefit the Angela Hospice charitable programs.

Al Pedrosi Memorial Golf Outing

Saturday, June 9, 8:30 a.m. Shotgun Start
Cracklewood Golf Club, Macomb

Loaves and Fishes was founded in 2005 as a collaborative, team approach to address hunger and food insecurity to the residents of the southwest Detroit area. Proceeds from the golf outing will go directly to the organization. To sponsor a hole or to donate, please contact Sean Shannon at *tapestry1@sbcglobal.net* or (248) 722-1547.

Register at *www.loavesandfishesswdetroit.org*.

IHM Sisters Annual Golf Outing

Monday, June 18, Shotgun Start
18 hole at 10:30 a.m., 9 hole at 12:45 p.m.
Fox Hills Golf Center, Plymouth

Join us for 9 or 18 holes of golf, outdoor grilled lunch, beverages, and contests on the course. All proceeds benefit the IHM Ministry Fund, which supports the various missions of the IHM Sisters through the world. Visit *www.ihmsisters.org* for more information or call (734) 240-9860.

George Blaha 29th Annual High Hopes Golf Invitational

Monday, June 11, 11:30 a.m, Shotgun Start
Knollwood Country Club
5050 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield

Registration for this golf, celebrity reception and silent auction will open soon. All proceeds benefit Vista Maria, an organization that provides programs and support for abused and neglected girls. For sponsorship opportunities, please contact Sarah Lesch at *slesch@vistamaria.org* or (313) 271-3050, x332.

AAA Race for Life
5k Run/Walk & 10k Run
Saturday, May 12, 9 a.m.

Nankin Mills, Hines Park
Westland
$40-50 includes all you can eat Flapjacks and a t-shirt (while supplies last)

AAA Pregnancy Resource Center is a Christ-centered ministry dedicated to the sanctity of human life.

St. Catherine of Siena Academy Summer Drama Camp

July 10-12, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Boys and Girls in grades 5-8. Only 25 spots available.

Return the completed registration form (found on *olvnorthville.org* website), along with **$75** (check payable to *SCA*) "**drama camp**" in the memo by May 30.

Altar Server Training

Sunday, May 6, at 10:30 a.m., Church

Last call for incoming **5th Grade Students: Our last Altar Server training is this Sunday after the 9:30 a.m. Mass**…The training will take just over an hour. If there are any current servers who would like a refresher course, you are most welcome to join us.

Also, the schedule for altar serving ends on Sunday, June 3. We are asking that if your student is at Mass during the summer months would they please come to the the sacristy and check to see if we have enough servers. It will keep Fr. Denis from having to ask for help at each Mass.

OLV Dads' Club Corner

Upcoming Events & News

www.olvathletics.com

- Next Dads' Club Meeting, Wednesday, May 8, 7:30 p.m., Caferia
- **7th and 8th Grade Dance: Friday, May 11, 7-10 p.m., OLV Gym.** Volunteers needed!
- If you would like to stay up to date on all of the OLV Dads' Club's news and events, please send an email to *olvdadsclubsecretary@gmail.com* to be **added to our email distribution list**.

OLV CYO FALL SPORTS REGISTRATION

Open through June 30, 2018

All OLV school students (grade 3-8) are eligible to participate in OLV's CYO sports program. Open registration is for **Football, Cross Country, Cheer, Flag Football and Volleyball**. To see the age specifications for each sport and to register, please visit the registration tab at *www.OLVAthletics.com*.

If you are interested in coaching any of these sports, please read the Coaches Information requirements on the left menu at www.OLVAthletics.com and apply online under the Player-Coach Registration. Coaching positions are assigned on an annual basis.

OLV Robotics

The OLV Robotics Season has officially powered down! Our CougarBOTs worked hard in the OLV Robolab and competed even harder at Lawrence Technological Universities Robofest game competition. A big shout out to all the student engineers for maintaining focus and exhibiting gracious professionalism throughout the competitive season.

The OLV Robotics Coaching team will gear up over the summer to make plans for next season. We willl power up on **September 11 with a Parent Meeting @ 6:15 p.m., in the Robolab**.

Keep on EngiNerding!

Sean English OLV 8th Annual Victory Run 2018

8th Annual OLV Victory 5K and Fun Run

Saturday, June 2, 2018

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

The run will start and finish at Our Lady of Victory School. **To register, go to *www.olv-victoryrun.com*.**

Register prior to Sunday, May 20 to receive a discounted registration fee! Join us as our community promotes health, fitness and supports the Sean English Fund and OLV School.

If you have any questions or are interested in sponsoring or volunteering at the race, please contact the race director at ***ourladyofvictoryrun@gmail.com***. See you at the starting line!

Faith Formation

Scripture Reflection

Jesus' law to love one another is the hallmark of his ministry on earth. It is why he came to us; in the hopes that we would see through him the love of God the Father and learn to share that love with one another.

It is not easy to love everyone. My mother used to teach us that we may not like how someone acts, who they are, or what they do but we are called to love them. At various times, I have had to struggle with how that might work and how that love should look. Needless to say, there are no easy answers. What is always true of our God however, we should not be clueless!

When we were baptized we "put on" Christ who wrote in our hearts the law to love one another. We were also given his Spirit so that we would not be alone in carrying out this mission. As if that were not enough through the Sacraments, Scripture and the Church, we have all of the tools that we need to help us to know how this love can be made complete so that Christ's joy can flow in our hearts and illuminate our very being.

This week as a family discuss how you can be more loving at home and at school and see if you can together find better ways in which you can show your love for others and how you can encourage them to be more loving in return. How can the Ten Commandments or the Beatitudes, and Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy come into play?

Challenge each other to do one anonymous act of love during the week. Check as families at weeks end as to the impact that one act, whether large or small, had on each family member. The Easter season is when we remember that the word **faith** is an action verb! Celebrate that and live it!

May is the Month of Mary

As we finally leave winter behind and enter into another May, we remember Mary who in giving birth to her son Jesus Christ gave the world the promise of new life.

Mary who is seen as the Mother of the Church has a very special place in our faith and is especially important to those of us who celebrate her as our patron saint at Our Lady of Victory. As we go about our daily activities this month contemplate who Mary is for you and how her yes to God's plan gave a great gift to the world.

As you reflect, recognize and give great thanks for the many times you have said yes to God's plan. Rejoice with Mary and ask for her help when that "yes" seems burdensome. She is our friend in faith and will when asked take our needs before her Son.

Mary Ellen Skene, Faith Formation Director

Choir Notes

Music Ministry

Catch your Breath *By Robert M Bochy, RRT*

As a long time respiratory therapist and vocalist, I've met a lot of people who have been able to "catch their breath" so-to speak by simply learning how to breathe properly. People with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, which includes Emphysema and Asthma, often have difficulty breathing because air is being trapped in their lungs and they struggle to get air in and out with each breath.

In Pulmonary and Cardiac rehabilitation programs, people are taught to breathe in deeply through their nose and expand their lungs by using their diaphragms. This part is basically the same thing vocalists do while singing. They take a deep breath in through the nose, hold it for a couple seconds, then exhale slowly through pursed lips, as if they were whistling. For those with Emphysema and Asthma, the deep diaphragmatic inspiration through the nose allows the inspired air to be cleaned by the nostril hairs and warmed to body temperature before the air enters the lungs. This can help reduce the number of infections starting in the lungs, it also can help reduce the severity of the lung spasms which originate in the lungs when a person inhales something irritating, such as very cold air or allergens entering through the nose or mouth.

One of the benefits that choir members get from a warm up that includes deep breathing exercises is to help them correctly take deep breaths for singing. They learn to use the diaphragm for breathing and control of their breaths better for singing. It can be a very helpful tool for those having difficulty breathing since it brings in a much larger volume of clean, moist air with even more oxygen at body temperature to provide fuel for the daily activities of life.

The most important thing to take from these notes is that controlled breathing, such as that required for singing and rehabilitation, can be a very healthy activity for COPD patients.

OLV SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations Grade 7-8 Concert Band!

The Grade 7-8 Concert Band performed in Cincinnati Saturday, April 21. Results of the performance put the band in **FIRST PLACE in Middle School Class A Concert Band**. More importantly, the band earned a "Superior Rating", meaning they were above a 90 percent on their performance evaluation. Congratulations to all of the hard working band students!

OLV School Science Fair, Fine Art Show and Ice Cream Social

Great Fun for Everyone!

As the Middle School students have been gearing up for the Science Fair, our Art students have been hard at work creating special pieces to be displayed in the annual Art Show. All efforts were rewarded with Ice Cream! Thursday, April 26 was a beautiful spring evening for our families to peruse the school halls and gymnasium and be WOWed by our talented students! A huge shout out to **Mrs. Marcou, Middle School Science Teacher and Mrs. Hinderer, Art Teacher** for coordinating this special night!

Preschool

Want to Help Build the OLV Preschool Classroom?

The **OLV Preschool** is set to open this fall for incoming students aged 3 and 4. We are pleased to announce that registration is full! The Preschool Director, Mrs. Kathleen England is very excited for the coming year.

In order to make this a wonderful experience for our incoming students, a few Preschool specific items are still needed to fill the classroom. Many OLV families have expressed interest in donating towards this wishlist. In hopes of streamlining the process, an online **PRESCHOOL WISHLIST REGISTRY** has been created. Please visit our Preschool page on the OLV website *www.olvnorthville.org* to view and purchase items from the wishlist. If you do not have access to a computer but would like to help, please contact Kathleen England at *kwelsh@olvnorthville.net*. Thank you for your support!

April Baptisms

Lucas Edward Berwick
son of Andrew Thomas Berwick and Danielle Patricia Pelkey

Gabriella Noelle Blackorby
daughter of Barton Blackorby and Sarah Stedem

Eve Carey Eller
daughter of Reik Brian Eller and Kelly Ann Carey

Jackson Andrew Kraft
son of Lee Andrew Kraft and Lisa Rose Lewandowski

Alexandra Lily Liedtke
daughter of Michael Liedtke and Lani Corriveau

Giovanni Vincent Rea
son of Anthony Rea and Jane Ansara

Emerson Timothy Sitarski
son of Timothy Daniel Sitarski and Danielle Nicole Miller

Charlotte Rose Wells
daughter of Scott Wells and Jennifer Bell

Caroline Sue Wilson
daughter of Gordon Wilson and Audrey Colthurst

Clara Andra Wolber
daughter of Andrew Wolber and Stephanie Patterson

April Wedding

Molly Thorson and Eduardo Gonzalez-Naylor

Welcome New OLV Parishioners!

Hugo & Adriana Sanabria Medina

Adrian Wheeler

Jeffrey and Leslie Zanetti

Always so much work to get done in the Spring!

Don't forget to take some time for yourself! While flowers hibernate in the winter, they come to life again in the Spring. Sometimes our own issues get buried for the winter, but bloom again in the Spring. Getting paired with a trained **STEPHEN MINISTER** does not make your problems vanish. But when shared, problems can seem more manageable. Getting support is always a good Spring project!

For information, please call our confidential line at **(248) 349-0216.**

IN MEMORIAM

We remember and pray for the loved ones from our parish family who have entered eternal life this past month.

Adele Gerber
Violet Kaminski
Eleanor Mastantuono
Thomas Sullivan

MONTHLY OFFERING

GIVING BACK TO THE LORD: *April 2018*

	Actual	Budget
Sunday Offering:	**$ 133,707**	
eGiving:	**$ 24,813**	
	$ 158,520	**$ 92,000**
Variance:	**$ 66,520**	
Holy Day	$ 85	

Special Collections YTD (starts July 1)

St. Leo's Soup Kitchen	$ 12,118
Christian Service	$ 8,180
St. Vincent de Paul	$ 15,972
Catholic Charities of SE Michigan	$ 4,916
Catholic Relief Services	$ 6,382
Gospel of Life/Respect for Life	$ 3,788
Propagation of the Faith	$ 9,265

Open Hands & Hearts Hospitality Ministry

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Putting on the Ritz for Our OLV Volunteers!

Thank you to all the volunteers who attended the OLV *Gatsby Volunteer Appreciation Dinner*. With an evening of dinner, dancing and prizes, a smashing good time was had by all!

Portrait pictures that were taken at the event will be available for pick up after all Masses this weekend in the Gathering Space.

We would like to extend a heartfelt **Thank You** to all of our wonderful OLV volunteers who faithfully give of their time, talent and energy. You are truly the Hands and Heart of Jesus! You are the Bee's Knees to us! Thank you from the entire **OLV Staff** (many pictured below).

Thank you Tina Bak & the Entire Hospitality Team for an amazing night!

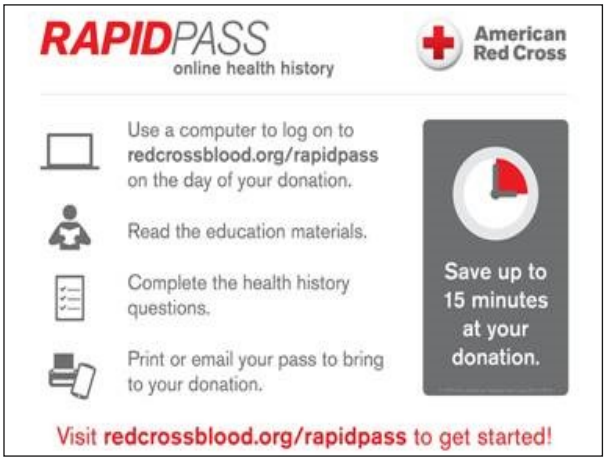
Our Lady of Victory

Sign up Now!

Save a Life-Three lives per one pint of blood

Sunday, May 20 ◆ 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
◆ Fr. Ernie Center

To schedule an appointment, go to redcrossblood.org (sponsor code: OLVC) or call (313) 549-7052
Download the Blood Donor App



Attention: OLV Seniors
Spring Bus Trip is Thursday, May 17

There are still a few spots left for the Bus trip to the ***Detroit Institute of Arts Museum on Thursday, May 17.*** *We will meet in the Fr. Ernie Center at* ***11:00 a.m.*** *for a delicious box lunch before heading down to the museum. There we will enjoy a tour of the museum and a hands on session of Origami making!*

Cost is $5.00 per person.
Call or stop in to the Parish Office to reserve your spot.
Space is limited! Come enjoy the fun!

Do you speak a foreign language and interested in reading at Mass on Pentecost Sunday?

Arabic, Gaelic, Latin, Russian, Armenian, German, Italian, Spanish, Chaldean, Greek, Maltese, Tagalog, Dutch, Hawaiian, Polish, Ukrainian, Estonian, Hungarian, Portuguese, Vietnamese, French, Japanese, Romanian . . .

Pentecost Sunday is May 20. To celebrate, we are looking for those who speak a foreign language and would like to read the Acts of the Apostles.

Please consider helping by contacting the Parish Office at ***olvoffice@olvnorthville.net*** or (248) 349-2621. All ages are welcome! Let us know the language that you can speak and the Mass at which you would like to read. We have the reading available to send to you in all of the above languages.

Week at a Glance

Monday, May 7
Matter of Balance, 10 a.m., Fr. Ernie Center
Devotional Prayers, 6:15 p.m., Church
Mass, 7 p.m., Church
AA Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Fr. Ernie Center

Tuesday, May 8
Follow Me: Gospel of John, 9 a.m., John XXIII
Bible Study, 10 a.m., McAuley,
OLV Card Group, 1-3 p.m., John XXIII
Northville Strings, 6 p.m., St. Cecelia
St. Vincent de Paul Mtg, 7 p.m., John XXIII
OLV Dads' Club Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Cafeteria

Wednesday, May 9
Rosary, 8:05 a.m., Church
School Mass for Moms, 8:30 a.m., Church
Cherub Choir, 3:45 p.m., St. Cecelia
Contemporary Group, 7 p.m, St. Cecilia
Follow Me: Gospel of John, 7 p.m., St. John
Bell Choir, 7:30 p.m., Church

Thursday, May 10
Rosary, 8:05 a.m., Church
Mass, 8:30 a.m., Church
Gospel Reflection, 9:15 a.m., John XXIII
Children's Choir, 4 p.m., Church
NA Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Fr. Ernie
Adult Choir, 7:30 p.m, Church

Friday, May 11
Reconciliation, 7:45 a.m.
Rosary, 8:05 a.m., Church
Mass, 8:30 a.m., Church
Eucharistic Adoration, 9:30 a.m., CH
Adoration Closing, 11:30 a.m., CH
1st Eucharist Rehearsal, 5 p.m., Church
OLV Grade 7-8 Dance, 7 p.m., Gym

Saturday, May 12
1st Eucharist Mass, 10:30 a.m., Church
Reconciliation, 3:30 p.m
Mass, 5:00 p.m., Church

Sunday, May 13
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
Mass, 7:30 a.m., Church
Mass, 9:30 a.m., Church
Mass, 11:30 a.m., Church

Readings of the Week: *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

Monday	*Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 15:26—16:4a*
Tuesday	*Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11*
Wednesday	*Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15*
Thursday	**Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest** *Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 16:16-20*
Friday	*Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23*
Saturday	**Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; Saint Pancras, Martyr** *Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16:23b-28*
Sunday	**The Ascension of the Lord** *Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13; Mk 16:15-20*

SACRAMENTS, MINISTERIAL OUTREACH and FAITH SHARING

Baptisms
Celebrated the third and fourth Sundays of the month following the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Call the Parish Office to register for the Baptism Preparation and Formation class held on the first Sunday of the month. There are no Baptisms during Lent.

First Eucharist
Parents of children who need to be prepared to receive First Eucharist should contact the Director of Faith Formation, Mary Ellen Skene. Adults who wish to be prepared for First Eucharist should contact the RCIA Coordinator.

Reconciliation
Celebrated every Saturday from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Holy Orders & Religious Vocations
Anyone who is interested in learning more about vocations to the Priesthood or to consecrated religious life should contact the Archdiocesan Office for Vocations at (313) 237-5875.

Confirmation
Adults who have not been confirmed are invited to call the Parish Office to arrange for classes. Adults may be confirmed along with our students or on Pentecost Sunday at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Marriage
Couples are invited to call the Parish Office, minimally six months in advance, to prepare for and schedule their marriage.

Sacrament of Anointing
Celebrated after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on the first Sunday of every month.

Funerals
Please contact the Parish Office so that we may walk this journey with you.

RCIA
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for anyone inquiring about the Catholic Faith or who wishes to deepen their own understanding of the Catholic Faith. You are invited to call the RCIA Coordinator, Ric Misiak, for more information on meeting dates and times.

New Family Registration
If you are new to Our Lady of Victory and would like to become a parishioner, simply visit the Parish Office to complete a form and receive your first set of envelopes.

Those who need our prayers...

Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health once more. Please remember to keep in prayer…

Matt Abraham	*Lawrence Larabell*
Robert Albright	*Suzanne Larabell*
Sandra Anderson-Gau	*Mildred Madigan*
Joseph Ballard	*Maggie McQuillan-Key*
Marie Beaghan	*Austin Outwater*
Mary Bongiovanni	*Daniel Outwater*
Glen Bott	*Patricia Outwater*
Barry Broden	*Stephen Perri*
Gina Buchan	*Howard Perry*
Barbara Burbo	*Barb Place*
Jacqueline Commyn	*Donald Rabahy*
Bob Crawford	*Betty Rayburn*
Joe Cyrek	*Robert Rayburn*
Patty DelleMonache	*Courtney Rosenau*
Flora DiPardo	*David Starinsky*
Nancy Dillon	*Jackson Stegmeyer*
Sue Engler	*Bernard Theroux*
Linda Gagnon	*Lorraine Theroux*
Charles Johnson	*Bruce Turnbull*
Jennifer Kuphal	*Lillian Wiktor*
Ted Lachowicz	*Ann Wiltsie*
Toni Lachowicz	*Charlotte Zabell*

*Names are kept on the list for **four weeks**. If you wish to add or remove a name, please call the Parish Office at (248) 349-2621. Thank you!*

Pray For Those Who Serve in Our Military

Do you know someone who is serving in the military? Please call the Parish Office to add your loved one's name. Continue to pray for peace and for a lasting and peaceful solution to the world's conflicts.

MAJ Mikelle Adamczyk
USN Patrick Antio
SrA Olivia Azeez
CPT Barton Blackorby
USMC Kristopher Bledsoe
PFC Brian Bokun
SSG Joshua Bullock
SGT Jamie Bushman
Lt Benjamin Clay USN
LTJG Hannah Constantakis
LTJG Katelyn Constantakis
CPT Daniel Courtney
LT Michael Cullen
USMC Robert Dean
SPC Tyler DeBozy
MAJ David Faulk
SSGT Brian A. Hada
LT John J Hamann
Chief Matt Haydu
CPT Jay Heide
LTC Barbara Krause
LT Daniel Kuriluk
CPT Matthew Kuriluk
CPL Ben Maday
MAJ Shawn Magowan
SGT Mark McGlynn
SGT Alexandra McGlynn
CPL James McGlynn
Chap. Tim Meier, SJ
SGT Steven Miller
SPC Lauren Moloney
CW2 Lincoln Moloney
CPT Rick Moreira, USMC
MAJ Brooke Heintz Morrissey
MAJ Michael T. Morrissey
DC3 SW Jeremy Nemeth
2LT Brett Quick
CPT Garrett Quick
CPT Kelsey Quick
CPT Mark Saurer
CPL USMC Gabriel Smith
SFC William Smith
PFC Nathan Swiger
LTC Christopher Wagner
MAJ Phillip Wiktor
LTJG Adam Williams

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 7

7:00 p.m. Annette Keda
req. by Joe and Deb Breitenbeck
Adele Gerber
req. by Phyllis Ely
Joseph Ittyiype
req. by George Family

Wednesday, May 9

8:30 a.m. Spec. Int. of Charles Jaskolski
req by Merry Herdell
Cass Mryncza
req. by Merry Herdell
Betty Broderick
req. by Family

Thursday, May 10

8:30 a.m. Spec. Int. in Thanksgiving
req. by Marion Marten
Fr. Richard Schmidberger
req. by Fr. Denis and OLV Staff

Friday, May 11

8:30 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory
req. by Through His Heart Ministry

Saturday, May 12

5:00 p.m. Sharon Gendernalik
req. by Family
William Elmo
req. by Ann and Joe Tobon
Eleanor Shura
req.by The Fras Family

Sunday, May 13

7:30 a.m. Concetta Silvestri
req. by Anna Silvestri and Family
Secondina Mancini
req. by Anna Silvestri and Family
Spec. Int. of Michelle & Jocelyn Herdell
req. by Merry Herdell
9:30 a.m. Edith Mrakitsch
req. by Denise and Walt Jenkins
Emilia Dragonetti
req. by Denise and Walt Jenkins
Robert Marcantonio
req. by Family
11:30 a.m. Elvira Macigalupo
req. by John and Marina Bebes
Feli Marchesotti & Ermenegilda Bonadeo
req. by Laura Marchesotti
Frances Giordano
req. by Bill Courtney Family

Ministry Schedule

	Saturday, May 12	Sunday, May 13		
	5:00 p.m.	7: 30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Clergy	Fr. Denis Theroux	Fr. Denis Theroux	Fr. Denis Theroux	Fr. Dennis Kauffman
Lectors	Ann Gage Resa Fox	Jacob Frost Terry Whittfield	Dorothy Suszanska Denise Jenkins	Jim Ryan Scott Seabolt
Altar Servers	Connor McGow Devin McGow Eve Martin	Garrett Frost Matthew Greene John Greene	Lauren Mullan Logan Mullan Mikaela Williams	Madeline Bishoff Cole Drummond Jack Drummond