NOVEMBER 15, 2026
33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Autumn Birches....See the Beauty



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Bulletin Items:
All bulletin items must submitted to the office by Monday morning.

MISSION STATEMENT
Our Lady of the Valley Roman Catholic Church advances the Gospel message of Jesus Christ through liturgy, personal support, and community programs that emphasize the Beatitudes to create a community of faith that welcomes all into God's eternal embrace.

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SCHOHARIE COUNTY CLUSTER LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Masses:
4:00 p.m. Our Lady of Fatima in Delanson
6:00 p.m. Our Lady of the Valley in Middleburgh

Sunday Masses:
9:00 a.m. Our Lady of the Valley in Middleburgh
11:15 a.m. Our Lady of Fatima in Delanson

Weekdays:
9:00 a.m. Wednesdays Our Lady of the Valley in Middleburgh
9:00 a.m. Tuesdays at Our Lady of Fatima in Delanson.

DEVOTIONS
ROSARY: Mondays at 5:00 PM.
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Last Monday of the month 5:00 PM.
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Mondays 5:30—6:30 PM.

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, November 14, 2026, 6:00 PM
John Smith by Theresa Smith

Sunday, November 15, 2026, 9:00 AM
Joseph Pelton by the Pelton Family

Monday, November 16, 2026
5:00 PM Rosary
5:30-6:30 PM quiet Adoration

Wednesday, November 18, 2026, 9:00 AM
For our parish community

Friday, November 20, 2026, 2:00 PM and 3:00 PM
Thanksgiving Masses at Kingsway Nursing Facility

Saturday, November 21, 2026, 6:00 PM
John Barr by Robin Hazzard

Sunday, November 22, 2026, 9:00 AM
For all married couples and those celebrating their anniversaries

7:00 PM Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service at the Middleburgh Reformed Church

All Souls' Day

You are invited to share a photo of a loved one on our Tree of Life which will remain in Church throughout November. All Souls' offerings support Nature Conservancy, Huntersland Fire Department and the City Mission Schenectady.

We Sing Autumn

Our response to the Hebrew Scriptures is Psalm 46: "Be still and know that I am God." We allow God's Word to fill our whole being.
The Gospel acclamation is the majestic "Alleluia, opening our hearts to Him; singing Alleluia, Jesus is our King".
We look forward to our celebration of "Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe" on November 22.

BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

"The future starts today, not tomorrow."
– St. John Paul II

As we gather in gratitude this season, let us choose one way today to bring Christ's love, hope, and mercy to someone in need.

Administration and Stewardship

Offerings:

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: $2419.25



Thank you for your generosity!

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 14, 2026, 6:00 PM	Sunday, November 15, 2026, 9:00 AM
Greeters: Mary Bailey	**Greeters:** Caroline Borst, Betty Karlau
Ushers and Seat Counters: Robin Hazzard	**Ushers and Seat Counters:** John Conroy
Lector: Patty Paser	**Lector:** Denise Lloyd
Altar Servers: Michael and Wesley Ortiz	**Altar Servers:** Sam Borst, Mary McGrail
Eucharistic Ministers: Joyce O'Brien, Gail Borst	**Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down:** Margaret Ostermann, Rosemary Gutkaiss
Set-up/Shut down: Robin Hazzard	**Money counters:** Denise Lloyd, Elizabeth Blackmur

Saturday, November 21, 2026, 6:00 PM	Sunday, November 22, 2026, 9:00 AM
Greeters: Mary Bailey	**Greeters:** Michele Finin, Helen Lindstrom
Ushers and Seat Counters: Bill Kuehnle	**Ushers and Seat Counters:** Stephanie and Bob Tinker
Lector: Ringuette	**Lector:** Kate Katsur
Altar Servers: Michael and Wesley Ortiz	**Altar Servers:** Peter Sherer, Mary McGrail
Eucharistic Ministers: Brb Valosin, Michele Cullam	**Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down:** Jackie Guntert, Marcia Guntert
Set-up/Shut down: Barb Valosin	**Money counters:** Ostermann, Millett and Chirico

Our Church is open for quiet prayer, meditation walks, and peace.



Pray For...

Jodi Connors, Greg Filisko, Scott Troughton, Joseph Cassella, Andrea Virtuoso, Michele and Phil Smith, Arthur Barrett, John Lewis Simmons, Lynn Fileccia, Anthony Chieco, Barbara St. George, Mary Harmon, Carol Hoffmann, Bob Troidl, Betty Karlau, Mundy Zullo, Linda Ballou, Bill Valosin, Brian Barbella, Marge Sainsbury, Annette Casano, Charlie Paduano, Margaret Buzon, Marthe Therrien, Kelly and Caleb, Matt Nieminski, Angelo and Debbie DeMelfi, Sharon Wood, Jim Ault, Linda Pagano, Tom Barr, Mary Hazzard, Helen Zebrowski, Joyce Montgomery, Joan Wissert, Laurie Kinnicutt, Grant Coastes, Ina Fusco, Bernard Jermyn, David Cullam, Jane Rothkopf, Sadie Dutcher, Nate Clements, Debrah Fileccia, Skip Teale, Adam Schweikert, Nancy Wise, Mary Ann Wise, Joe Anguillo, Jason Malachi, Sonny D'Arco, Thomas Maramante, Tim Lawlor, Rebecca Katsur-Horton, Brynda Shultes, Debbie Calabrese

Please contact the office to have someone prayed for/added to the list.

We gather, we pray, and we serve

Our Lady of the Valley Parish

FREE CONCERT! Sunday, November 15 at 3:00 PM

Our Lady of the Valley Church.

"Musical Postcards: a Journey around the World" performed by the Upper Catskill String Quartet. Travel around the world through music from different countries and traditions. Sacred and classical works + demonstrations of instruments. Refreshments in the Church Hall, too.

Neighbors Eating Together (NET Dinners)

Every Wednesday at 5:00 PM—6:30 PM dinner will be served by the Churches of Middleburgh. All are always welcome to these free meals. We host the 2nd Wednesday of each month. We need help setting up, serving, and cleaning up. Desserts are also really needed.

The monthly schedule is:

Nourished (Methodist) Church — 1st Wednesday
Our Lady of the Valley Church —2nd Wednesday
Reformed Church — 3rd Wednesday
St. Mark's Church—4th Wednesday

We gather in peace, faith, and friendship.

Joshua Project Thanksgiving Baskets

By November 17 we need: instant potatoes, cranberry sauce, canned gravy, canned vegetables, canned yams, boxed stuffing. Donations may be left at the east side of our hall.

KoC Spaghetti Dinner

Nov. 20, starting at 4:30 PM until sold out: spaghetti with meatballs, bread, drinks and dessert. $15/plate. Dine in our take-out. Two hundred and twelve winter coats were purchased by our Knights for the Joshua Project's Coat Closet. Kids throughout Schoharie County received a free coat. The proceeds from this pasta dinner are dedicated to support this effort. Eat heartily!

Thanksgiving Ecumenical Prayer Service

Sunday, November 22, 7:00 PM at the Middleburgh Reformed Church. The Churches gather together to sing the Lord's praises. Any canned goods for the food pantry are welcome.

Thanksgiving Mass

Wednesday, November 25 at 6:00 PM. We gather for a simple prayer of gratitude.

Christmas Stocking in a Box

This year Our Lady of the Valley is partnering with St. Anne's Institute in Albany — a refuge for homeless and runaway teenagers — to provide local children and teens with Christmas joy. We need parishioners to fill boxes with small gifts. Boxes will be available in the Parish Hall on Saturday, Nov 28th—boxes will contain more info on appropriate gifts, drop-off dates, etc. Thank you for your support.

Diocesan Appeal

An easy way to support our parish and diocese is to simply donate online at: donate.thediocesanappeal.org
Click on our parish and the amount you wish to donate, and you're done. Thank you.

Middleburgh Food Pantries

Food pantry needs: chunky soups, peanut butter, cereal, rice, soap, cleaning supplies (detergents), personal hygiene items. We also need help at our Food Pantry based at the Middleburgh Reformed Church. If you can assist, please call Russ Ryan at 518 817-1414.

GIFT Faith Formation Sessions

GIFT (Growing In Faith Together)

gatherings will be held on:

- Sunday, December 6 - 10:00 - 10:30 am (Grades 7 & 8)

Families are invited to join us in the Church for prayer, learning, and fellowship as we grow together in faith.

Families with children in Kindergarten or Grade 1 are invited to contact the rectory at 518-827-3301. Patty will coordinate GIFT sessions designed especially for this age group. Discussion and reading materials are always available for families. New items are at the entrance of the Church.

Holy Ground

Every second, every minute, every hour, every day
Everything, everyone, every place, every way
Where you walk, where you stand
Where you love, where you pray
All of life is holy ground.

Every he, every she, every what, every who
It's in her, it's in them, It's in me, it's in you.
In the bitter, in the sweet, In the calm, in the storm
All of life is holy ground.

So walk as if it's holy ground
Breathe as if it's all around
Talk and make a holy sound
Take your shoes off, you're on holy ground

When you hurt, when you heal,
When you laugh, when you pray
When you hold, when you give it away
Every second, every minute, Every hour, every day
All of life is holy ground
We are one people, one story
One tapestry we weave, One journey, one glory
One legacy we mean
Every second, every minute, every hour, every day
Everything, everyone, every place, every way
Where you walk, where you stand
Where you love, where you pray
All of life is holy ground
Can you feel the holy ground?
Take your shoes off, you're on holy ground.

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