

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 21, 2024

Lord, lead us beyond where we find ourselves today. Shepherd us beyond our wants, beyond our fears...from death into Life.



OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY

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Bulletin Items:

All bulletin items must be 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.

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
11:00 a.m. Our Lady of Fatima in Delanson

Weekdays:

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

Devotions:

Rosary First Sunday of the month at 8:20 AM

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, April 20, 2024, 6:00 PM
Daniel Slavinski by Mom and Dad

Sunday, April 21, 2024, 9:00 AM
Roger and Helga deRoziere by Family
James Stahl by Margaret Weidman

Monday, April 22, 2024, 5:00—6:30 PM
Quiet adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, April 24, 2024, 9:00 AM
Dolores Therrien by Pagano Family

Saturday, April 27, 2024, 6:00 PM
Rose Ceroalo by Robin Hazzard

Sunday, April 28, 2024, 9:00 AM
For nurses, doctors and healthcare workers



Our church is always open for quiet prayer, reflection, adoration, and contemplative walking.

We Pray Easter

Our worship environment, our songs, our countenance proclaims joy, hope, and sacredness of life. We sing of God's Glory as we enter into our liturgies. The response to the first reading, now from the Acts of the Apostles, is Psalm 66: "May a joyful sound to God all the earth sing to Thee Glory of God's name!" The Gospel acclamation returns with exuberance as we sing "Alle, Alle!" when we gather at the Lord's Table we proclaim our freedom through Christ's Cross and Resurrection. Sent forth to live as God's People we sing out once more: "Thanks be to God, Alleluia!" Our lives are changed forever loved by our God.

BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

"To have faith in Christ means, of course, trying to do all that He says." ~ C.S. Lewis

Live each day with Jesus at the center of our hearts and help others see his love and grace.



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If you have experienced the pain of miscarriage, please know that you are in the prayers of our community. Your struggles and sorrows may present a unique cross in your life of faith that may be difficult for friends and family members to understand, but the Church is here to support you.

Administration and Stewardship

Offerings:

Third Sunday of Easter: \$3181.59

Thank you for your generosity!



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 20, 2024

Greeters:
Marilyn Schulmerich

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Bill Kuehnle

Lector:
Patty Paser

Altar Servers
Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

Eucharistic Ministers
Michele Cullam, Marilyn Schulmerich

Set-up/Shut down:
Marilyn Schulmerich

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Greeters:
Martha Conroy, John Conroy

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Theresa Charland, Marcia Guntert

Lector:
Stephanie Tinker

Altar Servers
Caroline Borst, Luna Pelton

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down
Joanne Coonradt, Betty Karlau

Money counters:
Ostermann, Blackmur, Pagano

Saturday, April 27, 2024

Greeters:
Marilyn Schulmerich

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Robin Hazzard

Lector:
Anne Ringuette

Altar Servers
Gabe and Elise Ringuette

Eucharistic Ministers
Joanne Newsome, Gail Borst

Set-up/Shut down:
Robin Hazzard

Sunday, April 28, 2024

Greeters:
Michele Finin, Betty Karlau

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Jackie and Ed Guntert

Lector:
Kate Katsur

Altar Servers
Sera Wargo

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down
P. Sainsbury, R. Gutkaiss, M. Ostermann

Money counters:
Jane Munger, Bonnie Jorgensen



Keep in prayer our former pastor, Fr. Tom Holmes, who has been diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). He is now retired! Cards of support, love, and prayer may be sent to him at St. Mary's Church, 163 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, N.Y. 12144



Danny Hardmin, Brian Collins, Patrick O'Grady, Irene Ostermann, Ed Masterson, Joan McCalip, Adrienne Bartholomew, Callie Shaw (baby), Joanne Snyder, Raymond Ceroalo, Jocelyn Ceroalo, Cathy Saccotto, Mary Bixby, Ed August, Stephanie Coxen, Pam Raquet, Margaret M. Ostermann, Margaret Cameron, Beverly Dyer, Lee and Finn, Frank Ceroalo, Kyle and Katie Collazo O'Connor, Marsia Ferguson, Anjaime, Jack Robinson, Jim Crum, the Simeon Family, Debbie Lints, Mary Carlson, Nora and Joe Dougherty, Matt Nieminski, Joyce Montgomery, Eileen Scanlon, Tina Welman, Rick Conners, Annie Conneely, Francis McKiernan, Barbara St. George, Jesse Lints, Robert Tinker, Joseph Scolaro, Lisa Frangoulis, Davia Fileccia, Jamie Howard, Tom Guilianelli, Deborah Lobo, Joseph Cassella, Donald Gaffney Jr., Michele Eckland, Diane Czarro, Bill Valosin, Rick Stoddard, Tom Barr, Helen Zebrowski, Shane Stark, Nada Gaber Pitu, Joan Luhrs, Dick Kristel, Kate Mahoney, Chris & Karen Nieminski, Rose Ceroalo, the Scott Family, Karen Conners, P. J. D., Danny Vrooman, Natasha Samson, Amber Brate, Dianne Robinson, Ed Guntert, Steven Van Dyke, Megan Gersch, William Pelton, Sr. Louise Ann Fritz, Susan G., Stephanie L. Paduano, Dawn Schweikert, Amber Hazzard

PROCLAIMING YOUR RESURRECTION

Help us, O Risen Lord, to proclaim your resurrection by bringing good news to the poor and healing the hearts that are broken.

Help us, O Risen Lord, to proclaim your resurrection by feeding those who are hungry and clothing those who are naked.

Help us, O Risen Lord, to proclaim your resurrection by releasing the captives of injustice and all those who are imprisoned by their own sins.

Help us, O Risen Lord, to proclaim your resurrection by welcoming the strangers and by visiting those in loneliness.

Help us, O Risen Lord, to proclaim your resurrection by bringing your peace to those who are in trouble and your joy to those who are in sorrow.

God, our Father, who raised your Son from the dead, help us to understand, we beg you, that we conquer our own death and rise with Jesus today when we live in love.

We ask you this grace through Jesus Christ, who died to love always and rose for our life.

EASTER SEASON MASSES

Home Masses

- ◆ John + Gail Borst home on Mix Lane, Schoharie, **Monday, May 6 at 5:00 PM**, followed by a simple macaroni and cheese dinner. All are welcome!
- ◆ Bob and Stephanie Tinker's home 120 Papoose Path, Indian Acres, off of Clauverwie Rd., 5:30 PM, **Monday, May 13, 2024.**

Ascension Thursday

May 9, 6:00 PM, Mass at LaSalle Park Pavilion, Schoharie. Followed by a Pasta Picnic, cooked by Our Lady of Fatima Knights of Columbus. Please bring a dessert to share.



The Light of Christ overcomes the darkness...stir into flame this gift of faith!



GIFT

Please pray for the following young disciples who will celebrate First Eucharist on Sunday, May 5:

Charles Boniello, Cora Bouck, Hunter Gabriel Cosarca, Freyr Heitkamp, Massari Battisti, Joseph Oliver Nieminski, Lorelai Risse. Also, please pray for Maria Patino who is celebrating her First Eucharist this Sunday, April 21.

Please note that the Liturgy of the Word newsletter is available for our young disciples grades 1 – 5. They are in plastic bags with crayons that can be used during Mass. Please return plastic bags and crayons, and take the newsletter home to go over with your children to review each Sunday's Mass message.

PARISH PRAYER, SERVICE AND FUN

Pastoral Council Meeting

Our Pastoral Council meets this Monday, April 22 at 6:30 PM in the rectory.

Communal Anointing of the Sick

Saturday, April 27, immediately after the 6:00 PM Mass. We celebrate Christ the Healer in our midst.

Spiritual Transformation Retreat

Saturday, April 27, 8:30 Am to 1:00 PM at Christ the Shepherd Lutheran Church, Schoharie. This retreat is free. Lunch and refreshments are provided. Please call Pastor Colleen Quirion at 518-231-8641 for reservations.

Middleburgh Food Pantries

There is a great need for pasta, rice, oatmeal, coffee, graham crackers, and granola bars. Shopping bags can always be used. Donations may be left in the shopping basket at the Main St. entrance of our church.

Community Concert

Sunday, June 2, 7:00 PM , Middleburgh Reformed Church. Come and share your musical talents with our neighbors.

Cradle of Love

We're continuing to collect diapers and baby wipes for Community Maternity Services in the bassinet in the hall. Please no toys or baby furniture, diapers and wipes only. Thank you for your continued support of this important need in our community.

Diocesan Appeal

Our assessment this year is \$23,738.00. So far we collected \$7,423.33, the remaining amount to raise is \$16,314.67.

Thank you very much! Let us continue the ministry and good works of Jesus throughout our 14 county Diocese. Envelopes are in the pews.

Starting a Mothers' Ministry Group

If you would like for a group to form at OLV, where moms could connect, support each other and pray, please call Laura at the Office or send an e-mail to olv2009@midtel.net with subject line: Moms Ministry.



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