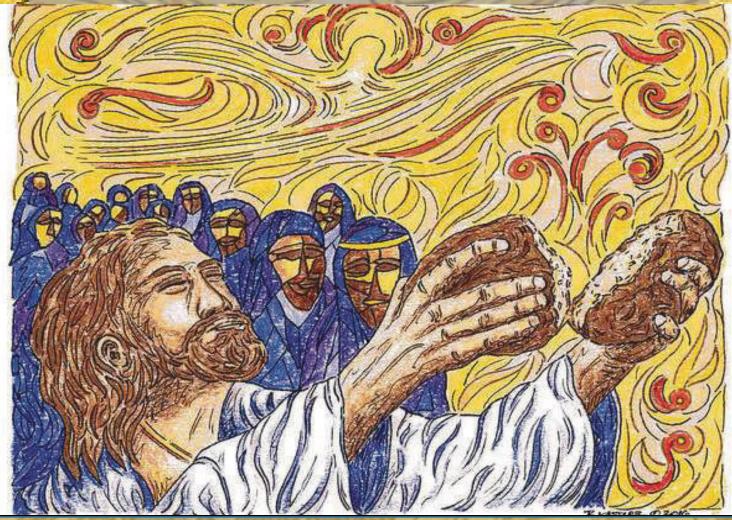
# 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 11, 2024 "BREAK OPEN YOUR LIFE IN LOVE"



#### **OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY**

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Monday - Wednesday 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM Thursday 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM

Parish Website:

http://parishes.rcda.org/olvchurch/

Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/OurLadyoftheValleyParish/

**Bulletin Items:** 

All bulletin items must submitted 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

Our Lady of the Valley Middleburgh

# Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, August 10, 2024, 6:00 PM Eileen Cesca by Margaret O'Connor

Sunday, August 11, 2024, 9:00 AM
Gene Maiello by Colleen Lettieri
Anne Hallock, Tristan Carlton Hallock by the Parish Community

Monday, August 12, 2024 2:00 PM and 3:00 PM The Assumption Mass at Kingsway Nursing Facility

Monday, August 12, 2024, 5:00—6:30 PM Eucharistic adoration

Thursday, August 15, 2024, 6:00 PM
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Fox Creek Park, Schoharie

Saturday, August 17, 2024, 6:00 PM John and Jennie Zelker by their children

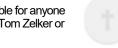
Sunday, August 18, 2024, 9:00 AM Michael Groghan by Colleen Lettieri



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

### Holy Communion

Low gluten and gluten free hosts are available for anyone affected by Celiac disease. Please see Fr. Tom Zelker or Deacon Gary Riggi.



### **Kindness Matters**

"Kindness Matters" is the 2024 diocesan evangelization initiative utilizing lawn signs to encourage people to step up and be kinder to one another. Showing kindness is a way to follow Jesus' command to love our neighbors. The sign will direct people to a website providing resources and ideas to help us be kinder. This initiative will gain momentum one person at a time and one small act of kindness at a time.

# BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING "My faith is my anchor." ~ Joe Mazzulla

Keep God in the center of everything you do 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:

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$T.B.A.



Thank you for your generosity!





### Saturday, August 10, 2024

Greeters:

Barbara Valosin

**Ushers and Seat Counters:** 

Robin Hazzard

Lector: John Wood

Altar Servers

Gabe and Elise Ringuette

Eucharistic Ministers
Barbara and Tom Valosin

Set-up/Shut down: Robin Hazzard

### Sunday, August 11, 2024

Greeters:

Michele Finin, Marilyn Nolte

**Ushers and Seat Counters:** 

Stephanie and Bob Tinker

<u>Lector:</u> Sharon Riggi

Altar Servers Sam Borst

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down

Jackie Guntert, Betty Karlau

Money counters: Ernest Kuehl and Dolores DeMeyere

Saturday, August 17, 2024

Greeters:

Barbara Valosin

Ushers and Seat Counters:

Bill Kuehnle

Lector: Patty Paser

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Altar Servers
Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

**Eucharistic Ministers** 

Gail Borst, Tom Valosin

Set-up/Shut down: Barbara Valosin Sunday, August 18, 2024

Greeters:

John Conroy, Doreen Buzon

**Ushers and Seat Counters:** 

Marcia Guntert, Sharon Riggi

Lector: Borst

Altar Servers

Caroline Borst, Peter Sherer

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down Rosemary Gutkaiss, Doreen Buzon

Money counters:
Margaret Ostermann,
Michele Borst

Pray For ...

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 Saccento, 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, Anjaine, 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, Deborah Lobo, Joseph Cassella, Donald Gaffney Jr., Michele Eckland, Diane Czarro, Bill Valosin, Rick Stoddard, Tom Barr, Helen Zebrowski, Nada Gaber Pitu, Joan Luhrs, Dick Kristel, Kate Mahoney, Chris & Karen Nieminski, the Scott Family, Karen Conners, Danny Vrooman, Natasha Samson, Amber Brate, Dianne Robinson, Ed Guntert, Steven Van Dyke, Megan Gersch, Sr. Louise Ann Fritz, Susan G., Dawn Schweikert, Amber Hazzard, Pauline Bjornholm, Diane Williams, Jessica Divietri, Robert Malin, Jacqui Owens, Loretta Bodisch



### **GIFT**

Please note that the Liturgy of the Word newsletter is available for our young disciples grades 1-5. Please take papers home and

review the Gospel reading for each Sunday. It includes a reflection of the Gospel, prayer for the week, craft ideas and more! Please return plastic bags and crayons and take the newsletter home to go over with your children to review each Sunday's Mass message.

Women's Bible Study, "Living in the Father's Love" started on July 21 in the OLV Hall after the 9AM Mass. For the next session, please read Lesson 5.

Please note: **Confirmation** sessions for 2024 begin with a retreat on Sunday, August 11 at 1:00 PM in the church hall. If you would like more information, please contact the OLV rectory at 518-827-3301.

God, food of the poor
Christ, our bread,
give us a taste of the tender bread
from your creation's table;
bread newly taken
from your heart's oven,
food that comforts and nourishes us.
A fraternal loaf that makes us human;
joined hand in hand,
working and sharing.
A warm loaf that makes us a family;
sacrament of your body,
your wounded people.



### A Lesson From the Farm

There was a farmer who grew excellent quality corn. Every year he won the award for the best grown corn. One year a newspaper reporter interviewed him and learned something interesting about how he grew it. The reporter discovered that the farmer shared his seed corn with his neighbors. "How can you afford to share your best seed corn with your neighbors when they are entering corn in competition with yours each year?" the reporter asked.

"Why sir," said the farmer, "Didn't you know? The wind picks up pollen from the ripening corn and swirls it from field to field. If my neighbors grow inferior corn, cross-pollination will steadily degrade the quality of my corn.

If I am to grow good corn, I must help my neighbors grow good corn."

So it is with our lives... Those who want to live

meaningfully and well must help enrich the lives of others, for the value of a life is measured by the lives it touches.

And those who choose to be happy must help others find happiness, for the welfare of each is bound up with the welfare of all



### **PARISH PRAYER, SERVICE AND FUN**

### Free Lunch!

### Monday – Friday 12 noon-1 PM at Middleburgh High School Cafeteria

The Joshua Project serves lunch throughout the summer for all who come by. Stop in and enjoy the fellowship and great food.

To volunteer at this lunch program go to: "Middleburgh Summer Lunch Program Volunteer Sign In".

# Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

# Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM Mass at Fox Creek Park, Schoharie.

A festive hot dog picnic to follow. Please bring a salad or dessert to share.

### Town-wide garage sale

Town-wide garage sale is Saturday, August 17. If you would like space and tables in our church hall, please call our parish office. Each table is \$10.

### **Summer Square Dance**

Tuesday, August 27, 6:30 PM in our church hall. Come and enjoy some good country fiddling' music, kick up your heels (if you wish), and have some Schoharie snacks. Our special square dance caller is Tom "Saddlesore" Zelker.

### **Parish Picnic**

Sunday, September 15, Timothy Murphy Park, Middleburgh. Burgers and hot-dogs; bring a salad or dessert to share. Beginning at 12 noon, this is always a fun community day along the Creek.

### Vegetable exchange

Share the bounty of our beautiful valley. Vegetables can be dropped off on the west lawn, under the shade of the trees of our church. Take what you need; share with others. Extra vegetables will go to our food pantries.

### **Middleburgh Food Pantries**

Food pantry needs: cereal, rice, pancake mix, crackers, cookies, fruit bars.

### **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.

### Fr. Tom Holmes Appreciation Party

Sunday, August 11, 10:00 AM Mass at St. Henry's Church, Averill Park, followed by a reception in their church hall.





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