

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 28th, 2024



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, January 27, 2024, 6:00 PM
John Trumbull by Ann Kabei

Sunday, January 28, 2024, 9:00 AM
Bonnie Morton by Frank and Sena Monaco

Monday, January 29, 2024, 5:00—6:30 PM
Quiet adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, January 31, 2024
Stanislaw Wisniewski by Laura Pelton

Saturday, February 3, 2024, 6:00 PM
Joseph Menniti by Laura Arnwine

Sunday, February 4, 2024, 9:00 AM
Roger deRoziere by Jackie and Ed Guntert

We Pray Ordinary Time

Our worship space and liturgies are simpler, in contrast to all the decorations and music of Christmas. Our response to the Hebrew Scriptures is Psalm 33: "The Lord fills the Earth with his love". Our faithful God continues to create, filling us all with life in abundance. God moves us to seek justice and to do what is right for all people. The Celtic Alleluia joyfully leads us to the Good News Proclamation. At the Lord's Table, we sing of our Holy Mystery: "When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death O Lord, until you come again." As People of Christ, we embrace the Cross of our sisters and brothers, witnesses of the Resurrection.



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

BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

"Love is the greatest force in the universe. It is the heartbeat of the moral cosmos. He who loves is a participant in the being of God."
~ Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

God loves each of us and guides us to love and support each other in all that we do. We must always pursue truth and justice for all God's people.

Administration and Stewardship

Offerings:

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$1848.00



Thank you for your generosity!

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 27, 2024

Greeters:
Barbara Valosin

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Robin Hazzard

Lector:
Ringuette

Altar Servers
Gabe and Elise Ringuette

Eucharistic Ministers
Barbara and Tom Valosin

Set-up/Shut down:
Robin Hazzard

Sunday, January 28, 2024

Greeters:
Brynda Shultes, Helen Lindstrom

Ushers and Seat Counters:
John Conroy, Sharon Riggi

Lector:
Brynda Shultes

Altar Servers
Sera Wargo

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down
Jim Buzon, Martha Conroy

Money counters:
John Borst, Brynda Shultes

Saturday, February 3, 2024

Greeters:

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Bill Kuehnle

Lector:
Patty Paser

Altar Servers
Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

Eucharistic Ministers
Gail Borst, Michele Cullam

Set-up/Shut down:
Robin Hazzard

Sunday, February 4, 2024

Greeters:
John Conroy, Martha Conroy

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Jackie and Ed Guntert

Lector:
Stephanie Tinker

Altar Servers
Luna Pelton, Sera Wargo

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down
Theresa Charland, Betty Karlau

Money counters:
Ernest Kuehl, Dolores DeMeyere



Danny Hardmin, Brian Collins, Bill Valosin, Patrick O'Grady, Irene Ostermann, Jessica DeVietri, 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, Anjaime, Jack Robinson, Jim Crum, the Simeon Family, Debbie Lints, Mary Carlson, Nora and Joe Dougherty, Matt Nieminski, Joyce Montgomery, Eileen Scanlon, Thomas "Tucker" Hirsch, Tina Welman, Rick Connors, Annie Conneely, Francis McKiernan, Barbara St. George, Jesse Lints, Robert Tinker, Joseph Scolaro, Lisa Frangoulis, Davia Fileccia, Jamie Howard, Tom Guilianelli, Deborah Lobo, Joseph Pelton, Joseph Cassella, Donald Gaffney Jr., Michele Eckland, Diane Czarro, Bill Hudzik, 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 Connors, P. J. D., Danny Vrooman, Natasha Samson, Amber Brate, Dianne Robinson, Ed Guntert

Prayer Encircling the World

Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
One God, in perfect Community,
look now on us,

and hear our prayer for our community:

where there is falseness,
smother it by your truth;
where there is coldness,
kindle the flame of your love;
where there is joy and hope,
free us to share it together;
where there is anything
we will not do for ourselves,
make us discontent until it is done.

And make us one,
as you are one.

Before God and you who are near me,
I release anything I hold against you.
I regret all I have done to harm you.
I stand beside the wrong in my life
and ask God's forgiveness.

*Before God and you who are near us,
we release anything we hold against you.
We regret all we have done to harm you.
We stand beside the wrong in our lives
and ask God's forgiveness.*

The Lord Jesus Christ says to us, each one:
'Go and sin no more,
come and follow me.'

Now bind our hands with honesty
as we offer them to each other and our prayer to you.

Ash Wednesday

Prayer service with ashes

At Our Lady of the Valley Church

12:00 noon

2:45 PM for students & parents from Middleburgh Central

3:25 PM (in the parking lot on Prospect Street) for

students and parents from Schoharie Central

6:30 Ecumenical prayer and ashes after the NET Dinner.

At Our Lady of Fatima Church

10:00 AM

2:50 PM for students and parents from Duanesburg

Central

6:00 PM

(We also have services at Kingsway Nursing Facility at
2:00 PM and 3:00 PM).



GIFT

Join us and watch video clips and discuss a six-week study of "Rediscover Jesus" with Fr. Scott Vanderveer, Pastor, St. Mary's Church in Glens Falls, during Lent: Starting

Tuesdays, February 13th through March 19th at OLV Hall at 6:30 PM. A sign-up sheet is available in the hall.

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

PARISH PRAYER, SERVICE AND FUN

Mardi Gras Fun

Saturday, February 10 and Sunday, February 11 we will party for Mardi Gras after Mass. It is also the Chinese Lunar New Year, so we will have lots of Oriental food to savor. This will be a fun mixture of New Orleans Cajun and the Far East. If you can, please bring some cookies to share.

Render unto Caesar...

If you need your contribution statement 2023 for your income tax, please call our office.

Old Palm Fronds

Please bring in your old palms by Sunday, February 11 so we can burn them to make ashes as we begin Lent.

Employment Opportunity

Our Lady of the Valley is looking for a part-time bookkeeper who can do light office work such as answering the phones and taking messages. The hours are somewhat flexible. For a complete job description, please leave your resume and work history with the parish office. The position currently pays \$15.00 per hour.

Home Visits

If you know of anyone who is unable to join us for Eucharist at Church, please contact Fr. Tom Zelker. He makes continued home visits to homebound parishioners.

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.

Bankruptcy/Lawsuits Update

New York State Courts have appointed two mediators—Paul Van Osselaer and Roger Kramer. They will negotiate between the survivors/lawyers and the Diocese. Each parish pays \$1,000.00 a year to have a lawyer represent the parishes of the Diocese. The first mediation session is expected to begin this winter. It may take several years.

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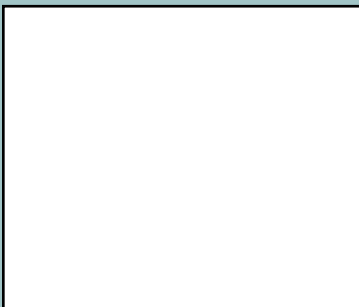
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