

FEBRUARY 16, 2025

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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.

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, February 15, 2025, 6:00 PM
James Morgan by JoAnn, Jimmy, Kerry, Amanda, Hunter

Sunday, February 16, 2025, 9:00 AM
Gwendolyn Walker by Jackie and Ed Guntert

Monday, February 17, 2025, 5:00—6:30 PM
Quiet Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, February 18, 2025, 2:00 PM and 3:00 PM
Masses at Kingsway Nursing Facility

Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 9:00 AM
Peggy Riordan by Margaret O'Connor

Saturday, February 22, 2025, 6:00 PM
For all parishioners

Sunday, February 23, 2025, 9:00 AM
David Priest by The Charlands

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.



We Pray

Our Winter Ordinary Time Liturgies are simple, reverent, and faith-filled. Our "Gloria" sings "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will." The sung response to the Hebrew Scripture reading is Psalm 33: "Rain down your love on your people, rain down your love, God of life." Even through winter's snows. God's grace showers us all. Our Gospel acclamation joyfully proclaims: "Sing a new song unto the Lord, let your song be sung from the mountains high, singing Alleluia!" At Table, we sing of our living mystery; as we eat and drink we proclaim Christ's death until he comes again. We become the loving Christ for our world.

BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

"The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends to us day after day." ~ St. Giana Molla

We thank God for our many blessings. We must always show love and kindness to each other every day.

Administration and Stewardship

Offerings:

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: \$1276.00

Thank you for your generosity!



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 8, 2025

Greeters:
Barb Valosin

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Bill Kuehnle

Lector:
Brynda Shultes

Altar Servers
Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

Eucharistic Ministers
Gail Borst
Michele Cullam

Set-up/Shut down:
Barb Valosin

Sunday, February 9, 2025

Greeters:
Michele Finin, Helen Lindstrom

Ushers and Seat Counters:
John Conroy, Ed Guntert

Lector:
Denise Lloyd

Altar Servers
Peter Sherer

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down
Jackie Guntert
Marcia Guntert

Money counters:
Lloyd, Blackmur, Pagano

Saturday, February 15, 2025

Greeters:
Barbara Valosin

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Bill Kuehnle

Lector:
Patty Paser

Altar Servers
Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

Eucharistic Ministers
Tom Valosin
Katie Hagan

Set-up/Shut down:
Barbara Valsoin

Sunday, February 16, 2025

Greeters:
John Conroy, Doreen Buzon

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Marcia Guntert, Sharon Riggi

Lector:
Kate Katsur

Altar Servers
Sera Wargo

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down
Rosemary Gutkaiss
Jackie Guntert

Money counters:
Munger and Jorgensen

Communal Anointing of the Sick

Saturday, February 22 after our 6:00 PM Mass.
We pray with any and all in need of Christ's tender healing embrace.



baby Zoey Nashville,
Ellen Wilford, Jodi Connors, Greg Filisko, Scott Troughton,
Claire Evans, Joseph Cassella, Jill Zullo,
Debbie Calabrese, Andrea Virtuoso

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



Growing In Faith Together
Religious Education Program for
children, youth and their families
(GIFT)

Our next GIFT session will held on March 30th after the 9:00AM Mass at OLV at 9:30AM and April 6th at OLF at 9:30AM This will focus on the Creed – We believe in the Holy Spirit. A special presentation, “The Butterfly – A Story of Transformation” will be performed prior to the GIFT session at OLF – All are welcome to attend.

Stations of the Cross for Children will be held on Friday, April 4th at OLV. The children will act out the Stations this year. Rehearsal will be announced.

Winter Spring Season brochure is now available out-lining GIFT sessions for January, February and April. Also our website is updated with GIFT information, prayer intentions by Pope Francis each month, links for parents, saint of the month links, weekly liturgy of the word and information regarding registering families for faith formation. The website: olfgrowinginfaith.weebly.com

Kits are available for our young disciples to draw and color during the service. It includes first liturgy reflection and readings, art activities, coloring pages as well as a few jokes here and there! Please keep the papers and return bag and crayons. Thank you.

Second Collection on February 15 and 16.

February 2025 is now designated as “Share the Love” month.

This weekend February 15 and 16, there will be a second collection to help families who were victims of the Southern Los Angeles, California fires. All donation will be made to World Central Kitchen (abbreviated WCK), a non-profit organization, founded by celebrity chef Jose Andrew, that helps provide fresh meals worldwide. There are red Disaster Recovery envelopes at the entrances of our Church. Checks can be made out to Our Lady of the Valley Church.

World Central Kitchen is first to the frontlines, providing meals in response to humanitarian, climate and community crises. When disaster strikes, WCK’s Relief Team mobilizes to the frontlines with the urgency of now to start cooking and provide meals to people in need. By partnering with organizations on the ground and activating a network of food trucks or emergency kitchens, WCK provides freshly made, nutritious meals to communities impacted by disasters quickly and effectively. We know that good food provides not only nourishment, but also comfort and hope, especially in times of crisis.

How WCK has helped families in Southern California:

- Provided meals: WCK has provided hot meals, sandwiches, and water to families and first responders
- Set up meal distribution centers: WCK has set up meal distribution centers in Southern California
- Worked with local restaurants: WCK has worked with local restaurants and food trucks to provide meals
- Supported recovery efforts: WCK has supported families as they return to their homes and begin recovery.

Other churches have been invited to donate and share the love as well during this month. Your donation is very much appreciated (and tax deductible).

PARISH PRAYER, SERVICE AND FUN

Render unto Caesar...

If you need contribution statement for your income taxes, please call our parish office.

“On the Margins”

Our Church in service to the world... beginning right here. This Sunday, February 16 after hospitality in our hall. Discussing our Christian faith with Sharon and Gary Riggi.

Our next N.E.T. dinner

Wednesday, February 19, 5:00—7:00 PM at the Middleburgh Reformed Church. Chilis from around the world will be served. And anyone wishing to participate in a Chili Cook-off Contest is welcome to bring and share their tasty concoction. Chuck Finin is chili contest representative of our parish.

Register and Be Counted

If you would like to “officially” register for our parish and be on our mailing list for parish information, *The Evangelist* Catholic newspaper, the Diocesan Appeal, etc., please fill out a form available at our Church entrances. Long time parishioners are invited to update their old census forms with a new one. Thank you.

Visiting Homebound Neighbors

If you know of anyone who is unable to come to Church and pray with us, please call our parish office. Our Mass is also available on our website.

Old Palm Fronds

Please bring old palm fronds to church. We will burn them for ashes on Ash Wednesday, March 5.

Schoharie County Barn Dance

Sunday, February 23, 4:30—6:30 PM in our Church Hall. Live music: fiddles, guitar and banjo (Tom and Gerrie White, Hank Lamont + Mrs. Rosenberg) for line, square and country dancing. A real pro “caller” Paul Rosenberg will lead us. A country dinner will also be served. Come on down and kick up your heels!

Middleburgh Food Pantries

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

Diocesan Appeal

Our parish assessment for 2024-2025 is \$23,223.00. Donation envelopes are available in Church or at our office. Please make sure your contribution envelope states Our Lady of the Valley. Thank you so much for your generosity.

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.

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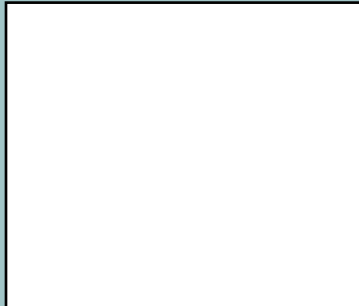
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