

July 9, 2023:

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In Christ there is no East or West, In Christ no North or South



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:

4:00pm, Our Lady of Fatima in Delanson

5:45pm, 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, July 8, 2023 5:45 PM
John and Jennie Zelker
Anna and Michael Ziolkiewicz

Sunday, July 9, 2023, 9:00 AM
Agnes Santoro by Rosemary Gutkaiss

Monday, July 10, 2023, 5:00—6:30 PM Quiet
 Adoration

Wednesday, July 12, 2023

**No weekday Mass in July and August. We will
 resume after Labor Day.**

Saturday, July 15, 2023 5:45 PM
For children everywhere

Sunday, July 16, 2023, 9:00 AM
For farmers

BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

**"Having felt people's love and support first hand through
 difficult moments in my life makes me feel it's our
 responsibility to help one another."
 ~ Gloria Estefan**

God wants us to share our many blessings. He asks us to
 share our love, kindness, friendship, and support with
 others every day.

"We Pray"

As we continue Summer Ordinary time, our liturgies reflect the
 beauty of the Season.

Psalm 113 is the response to the Hebrew Scriptures. We sing,
 "Praised be the name of the Lord." The Gospel acclamation
 celebrates the Wonder of God throughout all Creation: "Before
 the sun burned bright and rivers flowed, I called you each by
 name to share my home. No longer be afraid; I am your God. My
 love will never end. Alleluia!"

During our Eucharistic Prayer, we sing our mystery: When we
 eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O
 Lord, until you come again." We enter into the cross of our
 people, our world, as witnesses to Christ's life giving presence
 among us all.

Administration and Stewardship

Offerings:

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: \$2004.00

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: \$ 7.B.A.

Thank you for sharing your treasure and for your generosity!

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 8, 2023:

Greeters:
 Barbara Valosin

Ushers and Seat Counters:
 Bill Kuehnle

Lector:
 Beth Cunningham

Altar Servers
 Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

Eucharistic Ministers
 Joanne Newsome, Tom Valosin

Set-up/Shut down:
 Barbara Valosin

Sunday, July 9, 2023:

Greeters:
 Joann Coonradt, Marilyn Nolte

Ushers and Seat Counters:
 John Conroy

Lector:
 Brynda Shultes

Altar Servers
 Caroline Borst

Eucharistic Ministers/Shutdown
 Jackie Guntert, Marcia Guntert,
 Betty Karlau

Money Counters
 Brynda Shultes, John Borst

Saturday, July 15, 2023:

Greeters:
 Brynda Shultes

Ushers and Seat Counters:
 Bill Kuehnle

Lector:
 Brynda Shultes

Altar Servers
 Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

Eucharistic Ministers
 Brynda Shultes, Marilyn Schulmerich

Set-up/Shut down:
 Robin Hazzard

Sunday, July 16, 2023:

Greeters:
 Doreen Buzon, Jane Munger

Ushers and Seat Counters:
 Thersa Charland, Marcia Guntert

Lector:
 Kate Katsur

Altar Servers
 Sam Borst

Eucharistic Ministers/Shutdown
 Margaret Ostermann, Pattie
 Sainsbury

Money Counters
 Jane Munger, Bonnie Jorgensen



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, Diane Beyer, Beverly Dyer, Lee
 and Finn, Frank Ceroalo, Kyle and Katie Collazo O'Connor,
 Dennis Dailey (Afghan War veteran), Marsia Ferguson, Anjaine,
 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, Chris Strajn, Rick Connors, Annie Conneely, Francis
 McKiernan, Barbara St. George, Pam Sinko, Jesse Lints, Robert
 Tinker, Sherri Meschutt, Joseph Scolaro, Lisa Frangoulis, Davia
 Fileccia, Jamie Howard, Tom Guilianelli, Deborah Lobo, Joseph
 Pelton, Joseph Cassella, Paul Pagano, Terri Reptscher, Donald
 Gaffney Jr., Michele Eckland, Diane Czarro,
 Bill Hudzik, Rick Stoddard, Carmen St. George, Tom Barr,
 Helen Zebrowski

You Are Real — When Knowing God's Closeness

You are real, Most Holy Mystery though invisible, silent, and even at times out of reach. You are real, the source of all that is. In one perspective you are the end-product of reasoning, an arm's length as it were from my powers of touch and scent, of sight and hearing, yet as real as anything available to my senses. Nothing else in life would make sense without you, Holy Presence, and with you, everything can make sense. Still more comforting than such reasoning is the consensus of humankind, and even closer than that is my heart's consciousness of your presence, your gaze, your mind, your mystery, your evolutionary urgings. Holy God, be ever more real to me that I may be ever more your useful servant and co-creator of this evolving world. Amen.

REGISTER NOW FOR THE NYS EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS:

Catholics from across New York State are planning to come together at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville on October 20-22, 2023 to celebrate the real presence of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. The Congress will feature inspiring talks, Mass, Eucharistic adoration, opportunities for confessions, inspiring music and more. For details and to register (**EVERYONE ATTENDING MUST REGISTER**), log onto <https://nyseucharisticcongress.org>

Missionary Appeal

On the weekend of July 29—30, Fr. Absalom Fernandez Anthony from the Diocese of Punalur, Kerala, India will be among us to preside at Eucharist and break open God's Word. He will speak about the work of the missions in India. The **special second collection** will support their ministry. Thank you for your generosity; let us welcome Fr. Anthony with genuine Christian hospitality.



Also, during this time Fr. Tom Zelker will be resting in the Adirondacks... canoeing, fishing, caving, and wandering in the woods.



GIFT

"Set the World on Fire" by Vinita Hampton Wright books are now available. The cost per book is \$10 and can be picked up at

the Our Lady of the Valley rectory starting July 2nd. I ask that you please read and reflect on pages 7 through 13 in preparation for our first gathering.

Discussion will begin at Our Lady of the Valley starting Sundays, July 9th through July 30th after the 9AM.

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Community Free Lunch

Mon—Fri 12:00 noon—1:00 PM in the cafeteria at Middleburgh Central High School.

Strawberry Festival

Our Rosary Society will hold annual Strawberry Festival on Friday, July 14th at 5:00 PM. Baked goods are being accepted until 4:30 PM the day of the festival.



Middleburgh Ecumenical Service

Sunday, July 23 at 11:00 AM on the front lawn of Middleburgh Central High School. Scripture, communal prayer, inspirational music. Please bring a chair.

Summer Youth and Parish Possibilities



- Amsterdam Baseball
- Muscle Speedway and Miniature Golf
- Park Theater Movie Night
- Cave exploration

Plant a Row

As you plant your garden, please consider planting an extra row of vegetables to be shared with faith neighbors here at church. The most popular vegetables include tomatoes, squash, and peppers.



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

REMINDER: Schoharie Valley Community Day Camp July 17-21, 2023 presented by Schoharie Reformed, Schoharie Presbyterian, Christ the Shepard Lutheran Churches (see website for options available for students attending the Summer Enrichment Program) Info online: <https://www.schoharierformedchurch.org/camp> SCAN ME

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