

**July 23, 2023:**

**SIXTEENTH 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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**Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM**

**Parish Website:**

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

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

**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 22, 2023 5:45 PM**

**Elizabeth Malone** by Mary and Kevin Harmon  
**Salvador Rivera Sr.** by his children Salvador Rivera  
 and Yvonne Cuellar  
**Elbio and Myriam Pezzati** by their daughter Rosina  
 Pezzati de Rivera

**Sunday, July 23, 2023, 9:00 AM**

**Elsa and Joe Beganskas** by Goddaughter

**Monday, July 24, 2023, 5:00—6:30 PM** Quiet  
 Adoration

**Saturday, July 29, 2023 5:45 PM**

**Bill Samos** by Margaret O'Connor

**Sunday, July 30, 2023, 9:00 AM**

**For missions in India**

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



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**Summer Flowers**

Please feel welcome to bring in fresh flowers from  
 your garden to grace our worship space.



**BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING**

**"All of us must be saints in this world. Holiness is a duty  
 for you and me. So let's be saints and give glory to the  
 Father." ~ Mother Teresa**

Each of us is loved by God and we are here on earth to  
 make a difference in the world, through our family,  
 friends, neighbors, and community. He calls upon us to  
 love, care, and be kind to all people.

**We Pray**

Our response to the Hebrew Scriptures is Psalm  
 118: "Whose love is forever, whose love is  
 forever, whose love is forever more!"  
 We sing with all of Creation, thanking God for  
 God's life-giving presence every step of life's  
 journey.

Administration and Stewardship

Offerings:

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: \$2107.50

*Thank you for sharing your treasure and for your generosity!*

# WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**Saturday, July 22, 2023:**

**Greeters:**  
 Marilyn Schulmerich

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
 Robin Hazzard

**Lector:**  
 Patty Paser

**Altar Servers**  
 Gabe and Elise Ringuette

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
 M. Schulmerich, J. Newsome

**Set-up/Shut down:**  
 Robin Hazzard

**Sunday, July 23, 2023:**

**Greeters:**  
 Martha Conroy, Helen Lindstrom

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
 John Conroy

**Lector:**  
 Stephanie Tinker

**Altar Servers**  
 Shylia Singletary

**Eucharistic Ministers/Shutdown**  
 Jim Buzon, Bonnie Jorgensen

**Money Counters**  
 Kuehl & DeMeyere

**Saturday, July 29, 2023:**

**Greeters:**  
 Marilyn Schulmerich

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
 Bill Kuehnl

**Lector:**  
 Beth Cunningham

**Altar Servers**  
 Arriette and Nathan Kuehnl

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
 M. Schulmerich, J. Newsome

**Set-up/Shut down:**  
 Marilyn Schulmerich

**Sunday, July 30, 2023:**

**Greeters:**  
 Michele Finin, John Conroy

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
 Bob and Stephanie Tinker

**Lector:**  
 Denise Lloyd

**Altar Servers**  
 Shylia Singletary

**Eucharistic Ministers/Shutdown**  
 Marcia Guntert, Margaret Ostermann

**Money Counters**  
 Denise Lloyd, Elizabeth Blackmur



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 Repscher, Donald  
 Gaffney Jr., Michele Eckland, Diane Czarro,  
 Bill Hudzik, Rick Stoddard, Carmen St. George, Tom Barr,  
 Helen Zebrowski

**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.



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Also, during this time Fr. Tom Zelker will be resting in the Adirondacks... canoeing, fishing, caving, and wandering in the woods... and also helping at St. James Church, North Creek — their pastor Fr. John O'Kane covers four churches.

**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>

**Step Up 2023 Men's Conference**

Saturday, August 12th, Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville, 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM

Register at: <https://www.rcda.org/StepUp>

**"Strawberry Festival"**



At the 18th hole (the outhouse) at Gobbler's Knob.



Ladies and gentlemen...start your engines!



**GIFT**

Discussion surrounding the book, "Set the World on Fire" by Vinita Wright have begun at Our Lady of the Valley every Sunday

after the 9am mass ending July 30<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to join the discussion, please contact Sena at 518-827-3301. 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.



**Middleburgh Ecumenical Service**

Sunday, July 23 at 11:00 AM on the front lawn of Middleburgh Central High School. Scripture, communal prayer, inspirational music. Guest speakers are Seminarians Gilbert Kimaro, Mike Gersner and Alex Turpin with Deacon Gary Riggi. Please bring a chair.

**Take Me Out To The Ballgame**

Tuesday, July 25 — Leaving Our Lady of Fatima and Our Lady of the Valley at 5:30 PM to watch the Amsterdam Mohawks play the Saugerties Stallions at Rag Family Stadium, Amsterdam. Cost \$3.00 per person. "Buy me some peanuts and crackerjacks", too!



**Fourth Friday Grill Day**

Friday, July 28 from 5:00 to 8:30 PM, Parish and Pastoral Council members will offer a grill station in front of our church: hot-dogs, burgers, sausages, beverages. Please come for food and fun. Consider helping by signing up on the sheets in the church hall.



**Lasagna Dinner and a Musical**

Sunday, August 13 in our Church Hall followed by the Timothy Murphy Players presentation of "Matilda" at MCHS. Each person is responsible for their own ticket. Our dinner is free.



**Assumption Feast Day Mass and Pasta Picnic**

Tuesday, August 15, 6:00 PM at Fox Creek Park, Schoharie. After our liturgy, the Lady of Fatima Knights of Columbus are serving spaghetti and meatballs. Please bring a simple dessert to share.



**Village-wide Garage Sale**

Parishioners mark your calendar for August 19 village-wide garage sale in Middleburgh. The Knights of Columbus are offering reserved table space in our hall for \$20 per table. You are responsible for your set-up and cleanup. Start sorting through your home items. Call our office to pay and reserve a table.

**Recycle for OLV**

Collect your 5¢ deposit plastic and glass drink bottles and cans\*, and drop them off at the RIGGI Recycling Center in Middleburgh across from the Valley Market. Mark your bag "Our Lady of the Valley" and the refunds will be credited to OLV! (\*Note: At this time the recycling center cannot accept half gallon drink



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