

July 30, 2023:

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

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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 29, 2023 5:45 PM
Bill Samos by Margaret O'Connor

Sunday, July 30, 2023, 9:00 AM
For missions in India

Monday, July 31, 2023, 5:00—6:30 PM
Quiet Adoration

Saturday, August 5, 2023 5:45 PM
Mary Lynch by Margaret O'Connor

Sunday, August 6, 2023, 9:00 AM
Kevin Turner by the Charland Family

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



Summer Flowers

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



BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

**"My goal as a creative person is to express truth and beauty in whatever I do."
 ~ Tony Bennett**

God wants us to share the beauty and talents of our lives by sharing our faith, our gifts, and our blessings so that we can lift the spirit of others.

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:

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: \$1770.00

Thank you for sharing your treasure and for your generosity!

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 29, 2023:

Greeters:
 Marilyn Schulmerich

Ushers and Seat Counters:
 Bill Kuehnle

Lector:
 Beth Cunningham

Altar Servers
 Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

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

Saturday, August 5, 2023:

Greeters:
 Michele Cullam

Ushers and Seat Counters:
 Robin Hazzard

Lector:
 Ringuette

Altar Servers
 Gabe and Elise Ringuette

Eucharistic Ministers
 Michele Cullam, Jane Munger

Set-up/Shut down:
 Jane Munger

Sunday, August 6, 2023:

Greeters:
 Batty Karlau, Martha Conroy

Ushers and Seat Counters:
 Jackie and Ed Guntert

Lector:
 Borst

Altar Servers
 Caroline Borst

Eucharistic Ministers/Shutdown
 Jim Buzon, Bonnie Jorgensen

Money Counters
 Margaret Ostermann, Michele Borst



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, Rick Connors, Annie Conneely, Francis McKiernan, Barbara St. George, Pam Sinko, Jesse Lints, Robert Tinker, 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, Shane Stark

*Infinite Spirit, when I pray each day
for shelter for the homeless,
let me not ignore the pet without a home.
As I ask for protection for those in areas
of turmoil and unrest,
let me not forget endangered species of life ;
When I pray that the hungry be fed,
let me be mindful
that all God's creatures have need of sustenance;
As I ask Divine assistance for those afflicted
by fire, flood, earthquake, storm or drought,
let me remember that this includes every living thing;
In seeking miracle cures for human disease,
may I also speak for the well-being of the planet itself.
Let the words of my mouth,
the meditations of my heart
and the actions of my life be as one,
that I may live each day in harmony
with Mother Earth.
Amen.*

- Jennie Frost Butler

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... 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>



Come on over to the free lunch program—good sandwiches, plus pizza, beverages, and hot-dogs.



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 30th. 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.

Rosary Society Corner

Thank all for making desserts, Stewart's for ice cream, Bowling Lane for ordering the strawberries, and Knights of Columbus for helping! We made \$316 from the basket — the winner was B. Shultes; Josephine Schulmerich won the cake. We made \$604 total. Great time even though we had rain for the first time.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Community Free Lunch



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

Schoharie Cave Adventure

Saturday, August 12 Meeting at the Lilly Park Parking Lot Route 443 at 9:30 AM. Need flashlight, helmet (we can supply some), and old boots. This is a walking cave with many beautiful formations—but you will get wet! We will be in the cave about one hour, so we don't get too cold. See ya underground!



Lasagna Dinner and a Musical



Sunday, August 13 Timothy Murphy Players presentation of "Matilda" at MCHS at 2:00 PM. Each person is responsible for their own ticket. Followed by lasagna dinner in our Church Hall at 5:30 PM. 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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