

October 1, 2023:
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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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, September 30, 2023 5:45 PM

Bobby Brown by Margaret O'Connor

Sunday, October 1, 2023, 9:00 AM

Arvona Paduano by The Pagano Family

Jean Ann Sanders by Linda Pagano

Richard Kubler by Donna Gammarato

Monday, October 2, 2023, 4:00—5:30 PM

Quiet adoration

Wednesday, October 4, 2023, 9:00 AM

For the ailing and lonely

Saturday, October 7, 2023 5:45 PM

For farmers

Sunday, October 8, 2023, 9:00 AM

Patricia Bell by Colleen Lettreri

Kenneth W. Brown by Linda and James Hayhurst



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

BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

"In your hands, carry the Cross of Christ. On your lips, the words of Life. In your hearts, the saving grace of the Lord." ~ St. Pope John Paul II
God loves us so much and He wants us to support, love, guide, and care for our families, friends, neighbors and the most vulnerable, each and every day.

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:

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: \$1488.00

Thank you for sharing your treasure and for your generosity!

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 30, 2023:

Greeters:

Michele Cullam

Ushers and Seat Counters:

Bill Kuehnle

Lector:

Pattie Paser

Altar Servers

Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

Eucharistic Ministers

Michele Cullam

Set-up/Shut down:

Robin Hazzard

Sunday, October 1, 2023:

Greeters:

Martha Conroy, Betty Karlau

Ushers and Seat Counters:

Bob and Stephanie Tinker

Lector:

Kate Katsur

Altar Servers

Sam Borst

Eucharistic Ministers/Shutdown

Martha Conroy, Margaret Ostermann

Money Counters

Brynda Shultes, John Borst

Saturday, October 7, 2023:

Greeters:

Jane Munger

Ushers and Seat Counters:

Bill Kuehnle

Lector:

Pat Costello

Altar Servers

Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

Eucharistic Ministers

Pat Costello, Jane Munger

Set-up/Shut down:

Jane Munger

Sunday, October 8, 2023:

Greeters:

John Conroy, Betty Karlau

Ushers and Seat Counters:

Jackie and Ed Guntert

Lector:

Denise Lloyd

Altar Servers

Sera Wargo, Luna Pelton

Eucharistic Ministers/Shutdown

Theresa Charland, Marcia Guntert

Money Counters

Denise Lloyd, Elizabeth Blackmur, Linda Pagano



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, 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 Conners, 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, Paul Pagano, 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

AUTUMN PRAYER

God of all seasons, we thank you for Autumn.

We thank you for the touch of coolness in the air that gives us a new burst of energy, for the coloring of trees that shows the creativity of the Divine Artist,

for the falling leaves that reveal the strength of the branches,

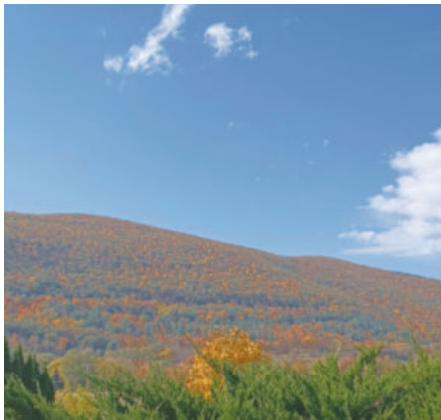
for the hues of fields that bring peace to our souls,

for the smiles on pumpkins that bring joy to children,

for the fall harvest which that brings us gratitude for the bounty of our land, for this change of seasons that reveals the circle of life.

God of all seasons, as you transform the earth, transform us by your

Spirit.
Amen.



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TEN WEEK CLUB

Tickets are now available for the Ten Week Club. First Drawing on Columbus Day. \$10. Per ticket with 30 chances to win weekly prizes of \$25, \$15, \$10 and Grand prizes \$200, \$100, \$50. See any Knight for tickets.

New members are welcome at our meetings the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7 p.m.



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>

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 containers).



GIFT

Our next GIFT program is scheduled for October 15th after the 9:00 AM Mass. I look forward to seeing you there!

Book Club discussion preparing for Advent began on September 24 at the Our Lady of the Valley. Book: Light of the World by Amy-Jill Levine. Sign-up sheets are available in 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 Sunday's Mass message.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ministry Fair

This weekend, after both Masses, as we share fellowship, you have the opportunity to sign up for ministries in our parish. Think of how you can make a difference — because you do!

You Count!

Every October, our Diocese counts every person in every pew in every church at every Mass. This helps in planning wisest use of our resources and how best we can worship together.



St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day Mass and Dinner

Wednesday, October 4th at 6:00 PM Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church. We rededicate ourselves to living our faith covenant with each other and all of Creation. After Mass, we will have a lasagna dinner in our hall. Please bring a dessert to share.

Apple Cider Making

Friday, October 6, beginning at 2:00 PM and going through the evening in Our Lady of the Valley parking lot. Bring your own apples and bottles to make some fresh, great tasting, unpasteurized cider. We will also have donuts and hot dogs, and a corn hole contest. And at 7:00 PM, we will have our **St. Francis of Assisi Blessing of Pets and Farm Animals**. We will gather at the front lawn of the church.



Community Church Picnic

Sunday, October 8 at 4:00 PM at the Middleburgh Reformed Church. We gather with our Christian neighbors for food and fellowship. A short evening prayer will follow at 6:00 PM. Please bring a dish to pass.

Neighbors Eating Together



Our first dinner is Wednesday, October 11, 5:00—7:00 PM in our church hall. A delicious roast pork dinner will be served. Invite a friend.... All are welcome!

Pie time!

Looking for all peelers, slicers, and rollers. We will be making pies the weekend of Oct. 14th and the 21st. From 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM. We will take orders the weekend of Sept. 30th and Oct. 7th. All pies need to be pre-ordered. They will be \$13.00 each: Apple, Apple/Cranberry, Sugar Free Apple & Sugar Free Apple/Cranberry. All unbaked. Any questions, please call or see Robin 518-368-8923 or Marie 5180-295-7420. Thank you.



Operation Christmas Child

Please join us in support of Operation Christmas Child by picking up your shoebox on Saturday 10/14 or Sunday 10/15 after Mass in the hall. A detailed list of donations will be found in each box. Thank you for your support of needy children worldwide. Drop-off will be the weekend of 11/11/ and 11/12.



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