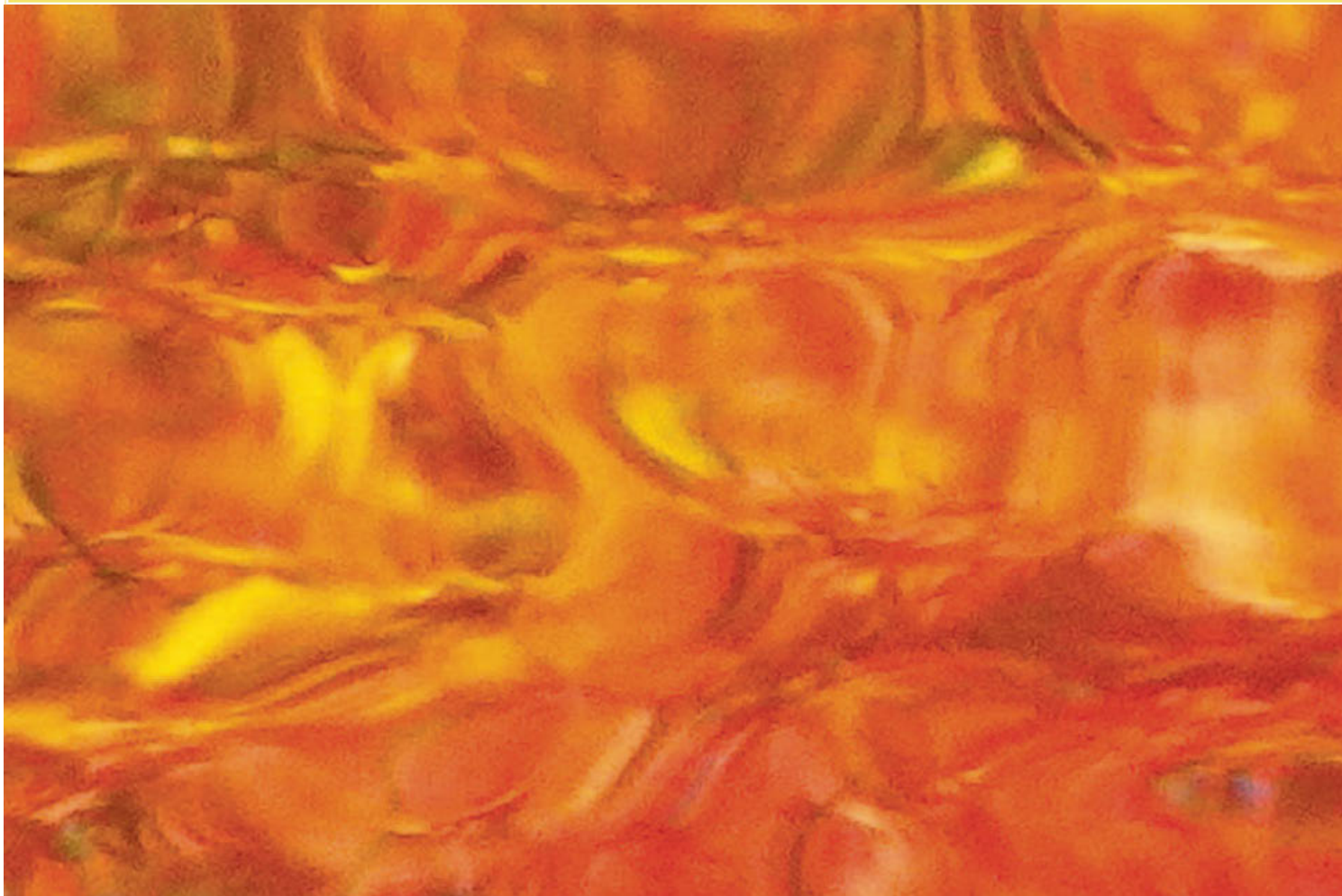


**October 22, 2023:**  
**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**We reflect the beauty and love of God to all!**



**OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY**

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**Parish Website:**

<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, October 21, 2023 5:45 PM**  
For peace in the world

**Sunday, October 22, 2023, 9:00 AM**  
Donald Warner by Joanne and Marc Newsome

**Monday, October 23, 2023, 5:00—6:30 PM**  
Quiet adoration

**Wednesday, October 25, 2023, 9:00 AM**  
For school teachers and students

**Friday, October 27, 2023 2:00 and 3:00 PM**  
Kingsway Nursing Home All Saints Day

**Saturday, October 28, 2023 5:45 PM**  
The children of Israel and Gaza

**Sunday, October 29, 2023, 9:00 AM**  
Lorraine Werner on 8th anniversary by Jerry Werner  
Irene Gilmore by OLV Community

### All Saints Day

Wednesday, November 1st Mass:  
9:00 AM at Our Lady of Fatima  
5:00 PM at Our Lady of the Valley

We celebrate God's spirit alive in our sisters and brothers... in all the Saints.

### All Souls Day

Thursday, November 2nd

Evening Prayer of Remembrance 6:30 PM at Our Lady of the Valley.  
We remember the people in our lives who have gone before us in faith. We especially honor those from our parish who have died this year. If you would like a person named who died this past year, please call our parish office. We remember anyone who has died for all are part of us in the love of Resurrection. You are also invited to share a small photo of your loved one on our Tree of Life. All Souls' offerings are used to help the living: the Nature Conservancy, Ukrainian children, St. Jude's Hospital.



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

### 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.

### BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

"It's not who you are. It's not what you have. It's not what you do. It's only about who you love and who loves you... and I love you." ~ Suzanne Somers

God loves us very much and has created a beautiful life for each of us. We should always remember to count our many blessings and give thanks to Jesus Christ, our Savior.

## Administration and Stewardship

### Offerings:

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: \$1717.30  
Thank you for sharing your treasure and for your generosity!

## WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**Saturday, October 21, 2023:**

**Greeters:**  
Marilyn Schulmerich

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
Bill Kuehnle

**Lector:**  
Beth Cunningham

**Altar Servers**  
Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
Michele Cullam, Marilyn Schulmerich

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

**Sunday, October 22, 2023:**

**Greeters:**  
Doreen Buzon, Martha Conroy

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
Theresa Charland, Marcia Guntert

**Lector:**  
Brynda Shultes

**Altar Servers**  
Sam Borst

**Eucharistic Ministers/Shutdown**  
Joanne Coonradt, Rosemary Gutkaiss

**Money Counters**  
Brynda Shultes, John Borst

**Saturday, October 28, 2023:**

**Greeters:**  
Joann Newsome

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
Robin Hazzard

**Lector:**  
Patty Paser

**Altar Servers**  
Gabe and Elise Ringuette

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
Joann Newsome, Michele Cullam

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

**Sunday, October 29, 2023:**

**Greeters:**  
Brynda Shultes, Helen Lindstrom

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
John Conroy

**Lector:**  
Stephanie Tinker

**Altar Servers**  
Caroline Borst

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

**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, 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, 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, Karen Connors

**GIFT**

Our faith families are planning a community brunch to be scheduled on Sunday, Nov 19. This is to honor all those who serve in our communities: Our teachers, volunteer fireman, volunteer ambulance workers, policemen, doctors and nurses and veterans. More information to follow.



**Please note the change of Book Club discussion times. Our second discussion will be held on Wed, October 18 at 6:30 PM at the OLV rectory. Light of the World books are available at \$5 per copy. Sign-up sheet is in the OLV 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



Over 95 neighbors were served a delicious roast pork dinner at our first of the season NET dinner. Thanks to all the cooks, bakers, dishwashers, cleaners, and servers.



You are the apple of my eye



Jesuit priests and companions from France witness to Christ in the New World... right here

**PARISH PRAYER, SERVICE AND FUN**

**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.

**World Mission Sunday, October 21-22**

World Mission Sunday is celebrated this weekend. It is baptismal call to be witnesses to all. The Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports over 1,100 vulnerable communities worldwide enabling those whose "hearts are on fire, and feet on the move" to encounter Christ in mission. Please contribute to this appeal.

**Diocesan Appeal**

Contribution forms and envelopes have been mailed out to parishioners. This is for the new Appeal which begins right now. Thank you for your generosity.

**Saturday Mass**

With consensus in our Pastoral Council, beginning Saturday, November 4th, 2023, our Mass will begin at **6:00 PM**. This will allow safer, less hurried driving between churches and give more time for conversation and sharing after the 4:00 PM Mass at Our Lady of Fatima and before our Mass at Our Lady of the Valley.

**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.

**Operation Christmas Child**

Please join us in support of Operation Christmas Child by picking up your shoebox on Sat 10/14 or Sun 10/15 after Mass in the hall. A list of donations will be found in each box. Drop-off will be the weekend of 11/11/ and 11/12.

**True Joy in Life**

This is the true joy in life, to be used for a purpose recognized by yourself as a mighty one.

To be a force of nature instead of a feverish, selfish little clod of ailments and grievances, complaining that the world will not devote itself to making you happy.

I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the whole community and as long as I live,

it is my privilege to do for it what I can. I want to be thoroughly used up when I die, for the harder I work, the more I live.

I rejoice in life for its own sake. Life is no brief candle to me. It is a sort of splendid torch which I have got hold of for the moment and I want to make it burn as brightly as possible before handing it on to future generations.

~ George Bernard Shaw

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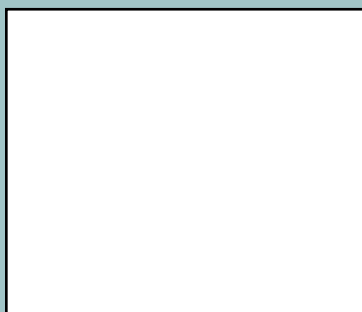
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