# October 29, 2023: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our diversity, our uniqueness show the glory of God.



#### OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY

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Parish Website: http://parishes.rcda.org/olvchurch/

<u>Facebook page:</u> https://www.facebook.com/OurLadyoftheValleyParish/

Bulletin Items: All bulletin items must 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 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

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

Wednesday, November 1, 2023, 5:00 PM All Saints

<u>Thursday, November 2, 2023, 6:30 PM</u> All Souls' Day prayer service

<u>Saturday, November 4, 2023 6:00 PM</u> For the victims of tyranny and oppression

<u>Sunday, November 5, 2023, 9:00 AM</u> Joseph Bozicevich by Carlie Pelagalli

#### **All Saints Day**

Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup>

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.

#### <u>We Pray</u>

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**

"The most beautiful and stirring adventure that can happen to you is the personal meeting with Jesus, who is the only one who gives real meaning to our lives." - St. Pope John Paul II

It is important that we spread the good news of the Lord. We must be good friends, neighbors, and family members to all and see the beauty in each other.

## Administration and Stewardship

### <u>Offerings:</u>

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: \$2098.00 Thank you for sharing your treasure and for your generosity!



#### Saturday, October 28, 2023:

Greeters: Joann Newsome

<u>Ushers and Seat Counters:</u> Robin Hazzard

Lector: Patty Paser

<u>Altar Servers</u> Gabe and Elise Ringuette

Eucharistic Ministers Joann Newsome, Michele Cullam

Set-up/Shut down: Robin Hazzard

#### Saturday, November 4, 2023:

Greeters: Jane Munger

<u>Ushers and Seat Counters:</u> Bill Kuehnle

<u>Lector:</u> Pat Costello

<u>Altar Servers</u> Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u> Pat Costello, Jane Munger

<u>Set-up/Shut down:</u> Jane Munger Sunday, October 29, 2023:

<u>Greeters:</u> Brynda Shultes, Helen Lindstrom

<u>Ushers and Seat Counters:</u> John Conroy

Lector: Stephanie Tinker

Altar Servers Caroline Borst

Eucharistic Ministers/Shutdown Jim Buzon, Bonnie Jorgensen

<u>Money Counters</u> Jane Munger, Bonnie Jorgensen

#### Sunday, November 5, 2023:

<u>Greeters:</u> Martha Conroy, Betty Karlau

Ushers and Seat Counters: Jackie and Ed Guntert

Lector: Kate Katsur

<u>Altar Servers</u> Sera Wargo, Luna Pelton

Eucharistic Ministers/Shutdown Pattie Sainsbury, Marcia Guntert

Money Counters Kuehl & DeMeyere



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, Karen Conners, Carol Giffi

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# Looking Ahead

"Our Church will no longer be able to inhabit many of the edifices she built in prosperity. As the number of her adherents diminishes... she will lose many of her social privileges... As a small society, [the Church] will make much bigger demands on the initiative of her individual members... It will be hard-going for the Church, for the process of crystallization and clarification will cost her much valuable energy. It will make her poor and cause her to become the Church of the meek... The process will be long and wearisome... But when the trial of this sifting is past, a great power will flow from a more spiritualized and simplified Church. We will discover the little flock of believers as something wholly new. We will discover it as a hope that is meant for them, an answer for which they have always been searching in secret.

And so it seems certain to me that the Church is facing hard times. The real crisis has scarcely begun. We will have to count on terrific upheavals. But I am equally certain about what will remain at the end: not the Church of the political cult, which is dead already, but the Church of faith. She may no longer be dominant social power to the extent that she was until recently; but she will enjoy a fresh blossoming and be seen as man's home, where he will find life and hope

> beyond death." *Pope Benedict XVI*

Thanks to our caring parishioners and the Middleburgh EMT who helped save a life during a medical emergency at Sunday Mass last week. The patient is recovering;



please uplift all in need of healing with your prayer.

# Come and Join Us





Community Brunch for all those who serve in our communities!

- Date: Sunday, November 19th
- Place and Time: Our Lady of the Valley Hall from 10 am to 11:30 am
- Our Lady of Fatima Hall from 12 pm to 1:30 pm

Menu: Pancakes and sausage, egg dishes, fruit, coffee cake, muffins, juice and coffee.

Sponsored by our families in faith formation at Our Lady of Fatima and Our Lady of the Valley



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#### 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.

Our next book club discussion will be held on Wednesday, Nov 15 at 6:30 pm at the OLV rectory. We will be discussing Session 3 of "Light of the World" by Amy-Jill Levine.

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.

#### 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.

#### The Joshua Project Thanksgiving Baskets Project

The Joshua Project is looking for donations of non-perishable foods for their Thanksgiving baskets: instant potatoes, cranberry sauce, can gravy, can vegetables, can yam, box stuffing. Please no glass jars. Monetary donations are accepted. Pick-up of goods on Monday, Nov. 13th. Call 518-763-5800 with questions or to arrange pickup. Thank you!

#### 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

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.

#### NET Dinner

Our next NET Dinner at OLV is Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>,5:00—7:00 PM. The menu includes ham and scalloped potatoes.

#### 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 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.

#### Ten Week Club Winners

<u>Week 1</u>: \$25 Ron Connors, \$15 Jerry Werner, \$10 Henry Greener. Thank you for supporting Knights of Columbus Programs.





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