

September 17, 2023:
Twenty-fourth 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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<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, September 16, 2023 5:45 PM
Joan Harmon by Mary and Kevin Harmon

Sunday, September 17, 2023, 9:00 AM
Donald Warner by the KoC #4475
Ronald Blackmur by his Wife Elizabeth
Nettie Spencer by friend Bettie
Pam Bolen Sinko by Patty and Kitchell Paser

Monday, September 18, 2023, 4:00—5:30 PM
Quiet adoration

Wednesday, September 20, 2023, 9:00 AM
John Reynolds by Margaret O'Connor

Saturday, September 23, 2023 5:45 PM
James Morgan 1st anniversary
by James and Linda Hayhurst

Sunday, September 24, 2023, 9:00 AM
The deceased members of the vanEkeren Family
by the Vedder Family

Monday, September 25, 2023, 2:00PM and 3:00 PM
Kingsway Nursing Home



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

"I have always looked at life as a voyage, mostly wonderful, sometimes frightening. In my family and friends, I have discovered treasure more valuable than gold."
~ Jimmy Buffett

God loves us and wants us to be devoted to loving our family, friends, and neighbors. We should show our love for God in all that we do.

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:

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: \$2551.00

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Collection: \$2070.00

Thank you for sharing your treasure and for your generosity!

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 16, 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:
Robin Hazzard

Sunday, September 17, 2023:

Greeters:
Doreen Buzon, Betty Karlau

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Theresa Charand, Marcia Guntert

Lector:
Brynda Shultes

Altar Servers
Sera Wargo

Eucharistic Ministers/Shutdown
Joanne Coonradt, Rosemary Gutkaiss

Money Counters
Ernest Kuehl, Dolores DeMeyere

Saturday, September 23, 2023:

Greeters:
Joanne Newsome

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Robin Hazzard

Lector:
Brynda Shultes

Altar Servers
Gabe and Elise Ringuette

Eucharistic Ministers
Brynda Shultes, Joanne Newsome

Set-up/Shut down:
Marilyn Schulmerich

Sunday, September 24, 2023:

Greeters:
Michele Finin, Helen Lindstrom

Ushers and Seat Counters:
John Conroy

Lector:
Sharon Riggi

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 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, Carmen St. George, Tom Barr, Helen Zebrowski, Shane Stark, Nada Gaber Pitu, Joan Luhrs, Dick Kristel, Kate Mahoney, Chris & Karen Nieminski, Rose Ceroalo

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, New York
Case No. 23-10244

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT on March 15, 2023, The Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, New York, (“Diocese”) filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”).

The Bankruptcy Court has established November 1, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the “Claims Bar Date”).

If you have a claim against the Diocese including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Claims Bar Date with Donlin Recano, the appointed Claims Agent.

Please visit Donlin Recano’s case website at <https://www.donlinrecano.com/rcda> to obtain claim forms and for information on how to file your claim. If you have questions regarding filing your claim, you may contact Donlin Recano’s restructuring information center toll free at 1 (800) 581-4729 or submit an inquiry via e-mail to rcdainfo@drc.equiniti.com.

Information regarding all entities within the geographical territory of the diocese that may be implicated by the Debtor’s chapter 11 case, including Parishes, Schools, other Non-Debtor Entities for which the Bishop is the President, and sole member entities for which the Bishop is the sole member may be found at <https://www.rcda.org>.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY FUTURE DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE’S CHAPTER 11 CASE.

The Knights of Columbus #4475

NEWS

Thank you for your support of our summer activities: BBQ, Craft Fair, Garage Sale, and 4th Friday. Proceeds have been directed towards Prison Ministry, OLV Youth Activities, Seminarian Support, and, in partnership with the Joshua Project and the Salvation Army- Coats for Kids.



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.

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).



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>



GIFT

What a wonderful GIFT program this past Sunday. Many thanks to Stephanie Tinker and Chuck Finin for talking about their faith experiences. 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 will begin after the 9AM Mass on Sunday, 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

Parish Picnic

Our annual Parish Picnic will be held this Sunday, September 17 at Timothy Murphy Park, 11:00 AM. Hot-dogs, hamburgers, bring a salad or dessert to share, and games for the kids.

Pastoral Council Meeting

Monday, September 25 at 6:30 PM in our church hall.



Schoharie Scarecrows



Our parish is participating in the Middleburgh Scarecrow Contest this autumn. We will have one “official” entry. But others are invited to join in the fun and put together “happy” scarecrows on our church property. Your art can be as creative as possible. The scarecrow season began on September 10. Please call our office if you would like to share your talents.

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!



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.



Vegetable Sharing



Fresh vegetables are available at our church entrance. Share what you can from your garden, take what you can eat.

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