

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

March 24th, 2024



OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY

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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:

4:00 p.m. Our Lady of Fatima in Delanson
6:00 p.m. 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, March 23, 2024, 6:00 PM
For those crucified in today's world

Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024, 9:00 AM
For peace in the world

Monday, March 25, 2024, 5:00—6:30 PM
Quiet adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, March 26, 2024, 5:00 PM
Seder Passover Meal and Prayer

Wednesday, March 20, NO MASS

Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024

6:00 PM at Our Lady of the Valley Church (presider Fr. Peter Chepaitis).

7:00 PM Our Lady of Fatima Church, Delanson

Good Friday, March 29, 2024

12:00 PM Ecumenical Way of the Cross in Middleburgh

3:00 PM Women of Jerusalem at OLV

7:00 PM Passion of the Lord at OLF

EASTER VIGIL Saturday, March 30, 2024, 7:30 PM

EASTER Sunday, March 31, 2024, 9:00 AM



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

BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

"The passion of Jesus is a sea of sorrows, but it is also an ocean of love. Ask the Lord to teach you to fish in this ocean." ~ St. Paul of the Cross

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If you have experienced the pain of miscarriage, please know that you are in the prayers of our community. Your struggles and sorrows may present a unique cross in your life of faith that may be difficult for friends and family members to understand, but the Church is here to support you.

Administration and Stewardship



Offerings:

5th Sunday of Lent: \$3193.00

Thank you for your generosity!



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 23, 2024

Greeters:

Marilyn Schulmerich

Ushers and Seat Counters:

Robin Hazzard

Lector: Patty Paser

Pat Costello

Passion 1—Fr. Tom

Passion 2—Deacon Gary

Passion 3—Ringuette

Prayer of the Faithful—Beth

Cunningham

Altar Servers

Gabe and Elise Ringuette

Eucharistic Ministers

Joanne Newsome, Gail Borst

Set-up/Shut down: Robin Hazzard

Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024

Greeters:

Michele Finin, Jane Munger

Ushers and Seat Counters:

Jackie and Ed Guntert

Lector: Brynda Shultes

Kate Katsur

Passion 1—Fr. Tom

Passion 2—Deacon Gary

Passion 3—Borst

Prayer of the Faithful—Brynda

Shultes

Altar Servers

Caroline Borst, Luna Pelton

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down

Pattie Sainsbury, Margaret Ostermann

Money counters: Munger, Jorgensen

Easter Vigil, March 30, 2024

Greeters:

Chris Schreieck, Doreen Buzon

Ushers and Seat Counters:

Robin Hazzard

Lector: Genesis-Patty Paser

Exodus— Pat Costello

Isaiah— Beth Cuningham

St. Paul— Sharon Riggi

Prayer of the Faithful— Pat Costello

Altar Servers

Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

Eucharistic Ministers

Michele Cullam, Jim Buzon

Set-up/Shut down:

Robin Hazzard

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024

Greeters:

Betty Karlau, Martha Conroy

Ushers and Seat Counters:

John Conroy

Lector:

Acts—Denise Lloyd

St. Paul—Borst

Prayer of the Faithful—Sharon Riggi

Altar Servers

Sera Wargo

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down

Gail Borst, Rosemary Gutkaiss

Money counters:

Conroy, Robinson



Keep in prayer our former pastor, Fr. Tom Holmes, who has been diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). He is still ministering in his parishes. Cards of support, love, and prayer may be sent to him at St. Mary's Church, 163 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, N.Y. 12144

Danny Hardmin, Brian Collins, Patrick O'Grady, Irene Ostermann, Ed Masterson, Joan McCalip, Adrienne Bartholomew, Callie Shaw (baby), Joanne Snyder, Raymond Ceroalo, Jocelyn Ceroalo, Cathy Saccanto, 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, Marsia Ferguson, Anjaime, Jack Robinson, Jim Crum, the Simeon Family, Debbie Lints, Mary Carlson, Nora and Joe Dougherty, Matt Nieminski, Joyce Montgomery, Eileen Scanlon, 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 Cassella, Donald Gaffney Jr., Michele Eckland, Diane Czarro, Bill Valosin, 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, P. J. D., Danny Vrooman, Natasha Samson, Amber Brate, Dianne Robinson, Ed Guntert, Steven Van Dyke, Megan Gersch, William Pelton, Sr. Louise Ann Fritz, Susan G.

Lent—Holy Week—Triduum

Rice Bowls: Please return contributions to the poor by April 15.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
 Mass, Saturday, March 23, 6:00 PM
 Mass, Sunday, March 24, 9:00 AM

Seder Passover Meal and Prayer

Tuesday, March 26, 5:00 PM in our Hall. A leader from a local Jewish community will lead us in the ancient seder service. A chicken and turkey, and dumplings dinner will be served after the prayer.

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper

March 28, 6:00 PM at Our Lady of the Valley Church (presider Fr. Peter Chepaitis).
 7:00 PM Our Lady of Fatima Church, Delanson.

Good Friday

March 29, Ecumenical Stations of the Cross 12:00 noon beginning at the front doors of Our Lady of the Valley Church. We walk through Middleburgh as People of Faith.
 3:00 PM Women of Jerusalem at Our Lady of the Valley Church: inspirational prayer with the women Jesus encountered.
 7:00 PM Passion of the Lord at Our Lady of Fatima, Delanson.

Holy Saturday

March 30, Our Lady of the Valley Church
 12:00 noon Blessing of Food
 7:30 PM Easter Vigil: Fire, Water, Word, Eucharist
 (there is no earlier Mass).

6:45 AM Easter morning Sunrise Service
 ecumenical prayer at Middleburgh Reformed Church (followed by breakfast)

Easter Sunday Mass
 March 31, 9:00 AM.



GIFT

Celebrate 50 days of Easter and join in the fun! There will be an Easter Egg Hunt at Our Lady of Fatima on Sunday, April 7th after the 11:00 AM Mass. Hope to see you there!

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

Home Masses

During the Easter Season, we will celebrate Eucharist in homes throughout our parish. If you would like to host this neighborhood prayer, please contact Fr. Tom Zelker.

Middleburgh Food Pantries

There is a great need for pasta, rice, oatmeal, coffee, graham crackers, and granola bars. Shopping bags can always be used. Donations may be left in the shopping basket at the Main St. entrance of our church.

Community Concert

Sunday, June 2, 7:00 PM, Middleburgh Reformed Church. Come and share your musical talents with our neighbors.

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.

Diocesan Appeal

Our assessment this year is \$23,738.00. So far we collected \$7,423.33, the remaining amount to raise is \$16,314.67.
 Thank you very much! Let us continue the ministry and good works of Jesus throughout our 14 county Diocese. Envelopes are in the pews.



Easter offering envelopes were mailed to all parishioners. If you use this envelope (see below), all donations will be ear-marked for parish evangelization and building repairs. This guarantees that your contribution remains in our community. As always, thank you for your immense generosity.



Easter Offering

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live."
 — John 11:25 (NKJV)

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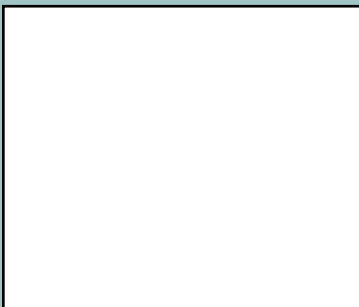
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