

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

May 26, 2024



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:

4:00 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, May 25, 2024, 6:00 PM
Wanda Rogers, David Hazzard by Robin Hazzard

Sunday, May 26, 2024, 9:00 AM
For our youth

Monday, May 27, 2024, 9:00 AM Memorial Day Mass
At lower Middleburgh Cemetery (Cotton Hill Rd. entrance)
We remember those whose lives were sacrificed for the people of our country.
No adoration (we will not gather on national holidays).

Wednesday, May 29, 2024, 9:00 AM
For all the graduates

Saturday, June 1, 2024, 6:00 PM
Stephanie Paduano by the Pagano Family

Sunday, June 2, 2024, 9:00 AM
Ellie Spencer by Frank and Sena Monaco

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

We Pray Ordinary Time

Our worship space and liturgies are simpler (compared to the exuberance of Easter and wonder of Christmas), yet noble in their own beauty. Our Glory to God is the Taizé mantra "Gloria in excelsis Deo, Alleluia!". The response to the Hebrew Scripture is Psalm 118: "Whose love is forever, whose love is forever more".

Our Gospel acclamation is a joyful "Alle, Alle, Alle, Alleluia!" In our gathering at the Lord's Table we sing the Mass of Mother Cabrini, music in honor of this immigrant woman who served so many newcomers to our land. In Faith, we sing "When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again." We witness to God's eternal love, even in the midst of the world's Cross. As we break the Bread, we chant "Lamb of God, miserere nobis; Dona nobis pacem" (have mercy on us and grant us peace). We, though many, are from and of the One Body of Christ.

BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

"Above all trust in the slow work of God. Only God could say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be. Give our Lord the benefit of believing that His hand is leading you, and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself in suspense and incomplete."
~ Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

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sites.google.com/view/gabriel-project-stamford

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:
Pentecost Sunday: \$2128.00
Thank you for your generosity!

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<p>Saturday, May 25, 2024</p> <p>Greeters: Barb Valosin</p> <p>Ushers and Seat Counters: Robin Hazzard</p> <p>Lector: Ringuette</p> <p>Altar Servers Arriette and Nathan Kuehne</p> <p>Eucharistic Ministers Tom Valosin, Michele Cullam</p> <p>Set-up/Shut down: Robin Hazzard</p>	<p>Sunday, May 26, 2024</p> <p>Greeters: Betty Karlau, Helen Lindstrom</p> <p>Ushers and Seat Counters: John Conroy</p> <p>Lector: Brynda Shultes</p> <p>Altar Servers Sera Wargo</p> <p>Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down Margaret Ostermann, Rosemary Gutkaiss</p> <p>Money counters: Jane Munger, Bonnie Jorgensen</p>
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<p>Saturday, June 1, 2024</p> <p>Greeters:</p> <p>Ushers and Seat Counters: Robin Hazzard</p> <p>Lector: Patty Paser</p> <p>Altar Servers Gabe and Elise Ringuette</p> <p>Eucharistic Ministers Michele Cullam</p> <p>Set-up/Shut down: Robin Hazzard</p>	<p>Sunday, June 2, 2024</p> <p>Greeters: Martha Conroy, Betty Karlau</p> <p>Ushers and Seat Counters: John Conroy</p> <p>Lector: Stephanie Tinker</p> <p>Altar Servers Luna Pelton, Peter Sherer</p> <p>Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down Brynda Shultes, Patti Sainsbury, Marcia Guntert</p> <p>Money counters: Ernest Kuehl, Dolores DeMeyere</p>
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Pray For...

Keep in prayer our former pastor, Fr. Tom Holmes, who has been diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). He is now retired! 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 Saccotto, 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, Anjaine, Jack Robinson, Jim Crum, the Simeon Family, Debbie Lints, Mary Carlson, Nora and Joe Dougherty, Matt Nieminski, Joyce Montgomery, Eileen Scanlon, Tina Welman, Rick Conners, Annie Conneely, Francis McKiernan, Barbara St. George, Jesse Lints, Robert Tinker, Joseph Scolaro, Lisa Frangoulis, Davia Fileccia, Jamie Howard, 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, the Scott Family, Karen Conners, P. J. D., Danny Vrooman, Natasha Samson, Amber Brate, Dianne Robinson, Ed Guntert, Steven Van Dyke, Megan Gersch, Sr. Louise Ann Fritz, Susan G., Dawn Schweikert, Amber Hazzard, Marc Dusharm, Pauline Bjornholm, Diane Williams, Jessica Divietri



GIFT

The summer session brochure outlining service projects, Bible study and GIFT session for June is available at the entrances.

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.



**Memorial Day Mass
Monday, May 27, 9:00 AM**

At lower Middleburgh Cemetery (Cotton Hill Rd. entrance)

We remember those whose lives were sacrificed for the people of our country.

Holy Communion

Low gluten and gluten free hosts are available for anyone affected by Celiac disease. Please see Fr. Tom Zelker or Deacon Gary Riggi.



Pastoral Council

Our Pastoral Council's next meeting will be held on Monday, June 3rd at 6:30 PM in the church hall.

Gas up!

Save the date: 57th annual Gas-up! in Gallupville: June 8,9 and 15, 16, 10 AM to 5:00 PM. Free admission, free parking!

The Knights of Columbus Council 4475 will hold a Chicken & Ribs BBQ On **Friday, May 31, 2024** at Noble Ace Hardware, Main Street Cobleskill NY beginning at 4 p.m. until sold out. Chicken Dinner at \$15 and Rib Dinners at \$17. Dinners include coleslaw, baked potato and a roll. Ten Pin Catering will cook. Proceeds will support the youth ministry at Our Lady of the Valley Church and seminarians of the Diocese of Albany.



Want to help our environment wearing snazzy helmets and vests? Clean-up of OLF adopted highway is scheduled for Sunday, 6/2 at noon. Reminder: As per DOT regulations, vests and helmets must be worn and teens 12 and up accompanied by parents and/or designated guardian.



Diocesan Appeal

Our assessment this year is \$23,738.00. So far we collected \$10,465.00. Thank you very much! The remaining amount to raise is over \$13,000.

Let us continue the ministry and good works of Jesus throughout our 14 county Diocese. Envelopes are in the pews.

PARISH PRAYER, SERVICE AND FUN

Hiking For a Cause

Jason Pelton will hike a section of the Finger Lakes Trail from May 18th to May 27th, roughly 95 miles. He offers it up to benefit the charitable works of the **Joshua Project**. If you would like to support the cause, you may donate a lump sum or make a pledge per mile. Checks or monetary donations with memo: the **Joshua Project fundraiser** can be placed in offertory basket, or dropped off at the parish office. You can also donate online at:



<https://joshuaschoharie.org/>
(pick Jason Pelton 95-Mile Walk)

Joshua Project building

We are building a "headquarters" on Route 145. Fund raising is underway. Donations may be made at joshuaschoharie.org or at Box 413, Middleburgh, N.Y. Thank you.

Plant-a-Row



As you plow, rototill, and hoe your garden, consider adding a row of vegetables to share with our food pantries and parish vegetable table. Cucumbers, beans, tomatoes, and squash are easily grown and great to share. Flowers are also welcome to grace our worship space.

Women's Bible Study

Sign-up sheets are now available for a Women's Bible Study, "Living in the Father's Love" starting July 14 in the OLV Hall after the 9AM Mass. Cost of books: \$10.

Summer ideas

- Kateri Tekawitha Native American feast and prayer: Monday, July 15th;
- Cooperstown Train ride;
- Parish Picnic;
- Hike or canoe trip;
- Square dance at our hall;



Timothy Murphy Players "Willy Wonka" chocolate fest.

Schoharie Valley Bible Drive



Together with churches in Schoharie and Middleburgh, we are collecting Bibles (new and used) to send to people in Africa and the Far East. There is a collection box in our hall. This is a project of our Ecumenical Summer Camp.

Middleburgh Vacation Bible School July 29 - August 2, 2024

Can you help? As a teacher or assistant at our Middleburgh Ecumenical Vacation Bible School (kids' camp) July 29 - August 2, 2024. This would be for children in grades 1 - 6. Please consider and let us know at our parish office: 518-827-3301.

The Joshua Retreat

Saturday, June 1st, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Christ the King Church, 20 Sumter Ave, Albany, NY 12203.
For more info and registration, please visit <https://www.joshuamountainministries.org/>

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.

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.

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