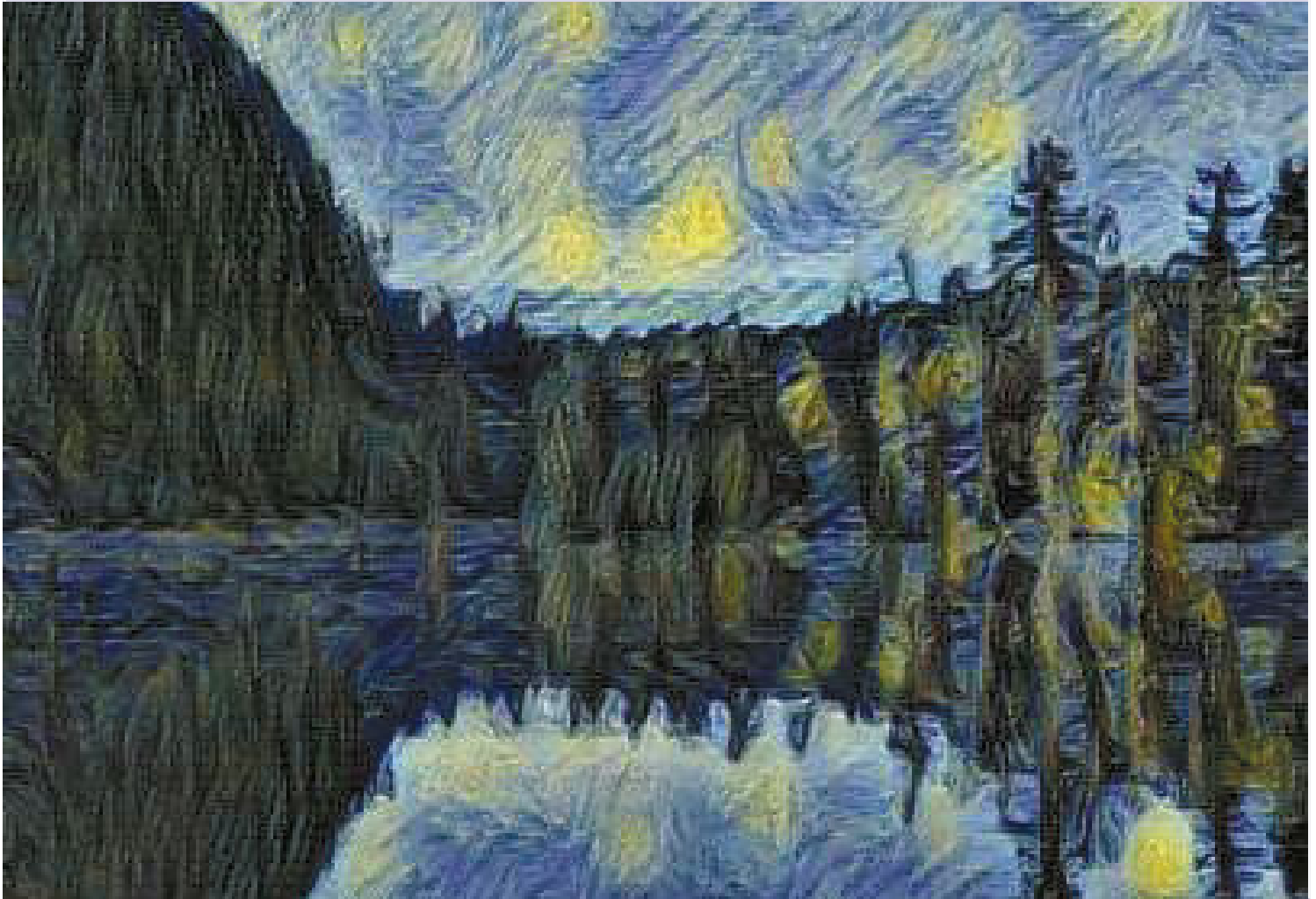


# **27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**OCTOBER 6, 2024**

**“PAINT YOUR WORLD WITH BROAD STROKES OF LOVE.”**



## **OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY**

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### **Office Hours:**

**Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM**

### **Parish Website:**

<http://parishes.rcda.org/olvchurch/>

### **Facebook page:**

<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, October 5, 2024, 6:00 PM**  
Kenneth Brown by Hayhurst Family

**Sunday, October 6, 2024, 9:00 AM**  
Joe Bozicevich by Family

**Monday, October 7, 2024, 5:00—6:30 PM**  
Quiet Adoration

**Wednesday, October 9, 2024, 9:00 AM**  
For farmers

**Saturday, October 12, 2024, 6:00 PM**  
Theresa Jandrositz by Stephanie and Bob Tinker  
Rudy Gandolfo, Raymond Mannarino by Hayhurst Family

**Sunday, October 13, 2024, 9:00 AM**  
Mark deRoziere by Family



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

### 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.



### We Pray

Our worship space is adorned with flowers and fruits of the season. The "Glory to God" is the simple "Gloria in excelsis Deo, Alleluia." Our response to the Hebrew Scripture is Psalm 118: "This day was made by the Lord, let us rejoice, let us be glad; let us rejoice in salvation." Our Gospel acclamation is the ancient chant "Laudate Dominum, laudate Dominum, omnes gentes Alleluia! (Praise the Lord, all you peoples, Alleluia!). Our Eucharistic songs are from "The Land of Rest", inspired by early American music. We sing out Mystery of Faith: "Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free." As Church Ordinary Time continues, we become extraordinary in our

### BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

**"Tell the truth. Sing with passion. Work with laughter. Love with heart. 'Cause that's all that matters in the end."**  
~ Kris Kristofferson

Be kind, caring, and thankful for your blessings and love God with all your heart as He loves you.



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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:

**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$1729.00**  
Thank you for your generosity!



# WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**Saturday, October 5, 2024**

**Greeters:**  
Elise Ringuette

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
Bill Kuehnle

**Lector:**  
Pat Costello

**Altar Servers**  
Arriette and Nathan Kuehnle

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
Michele Cullam, Jane Munger

**Set-up/Shut down:**  
Jane Munger

**Sunday, October 6, 2024**

**Greeters:**  
Martha Conroy, Betty Karlau

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
Stephanie and Bob Tinker

**Lector:**  
Denise Lloyd

**Altar Servers**  
Peter Sherer, Luna Pelton

**Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down**  
Brynda Shultes, Joanne Coonradt

**Money counters:**  
Lloyd, Blackmur, Pagano

**Saturday, October 12, 2024**

**Greeters:**  
Barb Valosin

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
Robin Hazzard

**Lector:**  
Stephanie Tinker

**Altar Servers**  
Peter Sherer

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
Barb Valosin, Tom Valosin

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

**Sunday, October 13, 2024**

**Greeters:**  
Michele Finin, Marilyn Nolte

**Ushers and Seat Counters:**  
Jackie and Ed Guntert

**Lector:**  
Borst

**Altar Servers**  
Caroline Borst

**Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down**  
Jim Buzon, Betty Karlau

**Money counters:**  
John Borst, Brynda Shultes



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 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, 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, Michele Eckland, Diane Czarro, Bill Valosin, Rick Stoddard, Tom Barr, Helen Zebrowski, Nada Gaber Pitu, Joan Luhrs, Dick Kristel, Kate Mahoney, Chris & Karen Nieminski, the Scott Family, Karen Conners, 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, Pauline Bjornholm, Diane Williams, Jessica Divietri, Jacqui Owens, Loretta Bodisch, K + A Pagano, Marthe Therrier, Claire Evans, Margaret Casey Sprinkle, Douglas Bailey, Michelle Palmieri, Pauline Bjornholm



**Growing In Faith Together  
Religious Education Program for  
children, youth and their families  
(GIFT)**

Please note: Fall Season brochure is now available out-lining GIFT sessions for

October, November and December. Also, our website is updated with GIFT information, prayer intentions by Pope Francis each month, links for parents, saint of the month links, weekly liturgy of the word and information regarding registering families for faith formation. The website: [ofgrowinginfaith.weebly.com](http://ofgrowinginfaith.weebly.com)

Our first GIFT sessions will be held on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of the Valley Hall after the 9:00 AM Mass and Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Fatima Hall at 9:30 AM.

Kits are available for our young disciples to draw and color during the service. It includes first liturgy reflection and readings, art activities, coloring pages as well as a few jokes here and there! Please keep the papers and return bag and crayons. Thank you.

**Preparation for First Communion:  
If you have a child in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, please call our office.**



**2024 RECONCILIATION FORMATION SCHEDULE**

**Retreats and Gatherings:**

- Retreat** - beginning the process Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:30PM
- Celebrating God's Mercy** Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:30PM
- Celebrating God's Forgiveness** Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 4:30PM
- Celebration of First Reconciliation** - Reconciliation Prayer Service, Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00PM.

Please pray for our young people who will be celebrating Confirmation at St. Madeleine Sophie Catholic Church in Schenectady on Monday, November 4 at 6:30 PM: Caroline Borst, Jane Koller, Connor Kropp, Tiaa Manikai, Allison Okyay, Maria Patino, Josh Ringuette, Brady Stemmler, Robby Stemmler.



**Civilize It: A Better Kind of Politics**

"Polarization abounds—it seems to be everywhere in our world today, and unceasing. We find it in our families, neighborhoods, political systems, on the news. How can we, as Catholics, respond to this division in our world?"  
Civilize it... "(is an) opportunity for individuals and communities to recommit to honoring human dignity in our conversations. We need to replace the often vitriolic language used in our political landscape with words that evoke love and respect."

"Instead of lamenting the state of very uncivil dialogue, we can do something about it. We can put our faith into action."

"As Catholics, we know that political engagement is a virtue. We cannot simply turn away from a debate. We are called to informed participation."

"With the Civilize It campaign, Catholics are called to see the 'dignity beyond the debate.' We can make room in our own hearts for civil dialogue, which assumes a posture of understanding and commitment to honoring one another's dignity."

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We will host a gathering on Tuesday, October 8 at 6:00PM in Our Lady of Fatima Parish Center (in back of the rectory).

**"Groomed" - A Survivor's Story of Healing**

The Hope and Healing Committee of the Diocese of Albany invites you to a powerful and moving event: the performance of "Groomed", a one-man play written and performed by Patrick Sandford, a survivor of childhood sexual abuse by his teacher. Patrick' story explores the emotional and psychological effects of abuse and the long, difficult path towards healing.

Sunday, Oct 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM, Roger Bacon Hall Auditorium, Siena College, 515 Loudon Rd., Loudonville, NY 12211

**PARISH PRAYER, SERVICE AND FUN**

**Welcome!**

Our new church musician is at Our Lady of the Valley is Kathleen Burgin. She brings a wealth of talent and positive creative energy to this ministry. We welcome Kathleen with Christian hospitality. Our heartfelt thanks to Linda Connors for her many, 24, years of music service to our community. We wish Linda well and ask God's blessing of peace for her.



**You count!**

Every October, our Diocese conducts a census for each Mass in every parish throughout our 14 counties. These statistics are used in planning. Remember, you matter!

**Pray the Rosary**

Monday, October 7 at 6:30 PM. We begin with a candlelight procession at the entrance to our Church. We continue our prayer within the sanctuary.

**We Gather Together**

**Neighbors Eating Together**

Our first NET Dinner of the Fall Season will be Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at 5:00 PM in Our Lady of the Valley Hall. Our menu for this free dinner is roast pork, mashed potatoes, cabbage, vegetables, and rolls. Please bring a dessert to share. All are always welcome.



**Save the date**

Join us for pizza and soda at OLV Hall on Saturday afternoon, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM. We will watch "Heaven Is For Real", a little boys' encounter with Jesus. A sign-up sheet is available at the OLF entranceway and in the OLV hall.

**Operation Christmas Child**

Operation Christmas Child boxes will be available soon. This year's generous giving will begin with box distribution on October 12 and 13 and drop off in the Church Hall on November 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Contact Sean Boyan at [spboyan@msn.com](mailto:spboyan@msn.com) if you have questions.

**300 Years of Christian Faith**

Monday, October 21, 6:00 PM in Our Lady of the Valley hall viewing the movie "Black Robe", an action film about the Native Americans and their interactions with the French Jesuit missionaries. We will be served a *Colonial quebécois* dinner including porc frais, poutine, corn and turkey cascade, and Canadian spruce soda. Please bring a dessert to share.



**Middleburgh Food Pantries**

Food pantry needs: cereal, rice, pancake mix, crackers, cookies, fruit bars.

**Cradle of Love**

We're continuing to collect diapers and baby wipes for Community Maternity Services in the bassinets 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 Women's Conference**

**Where:** St. Edward the Confessor in Clifton Park

**When:** Saturday, October 19, 2024

**Time:** Check-in at 8:00 AM; Event runs from 9 AM to 3:30 PM

**Speakers:** Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger and Laura Phelps (National Catholic Speaker, Author, Walking with Purpose Content Creation Manager, and Podcaster)

**Conference includes:** Three Presentations, Adoration, Reconciliation, Rosary, Mass, lunch, and beverages.

**Register:** [www.rcda.org/UnleashingLove](http://www.rcda.org/UnleashingLove)

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