

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

"WE ARE GOD'S PEOPLE"



**LOVING AND GENEROUS GOD,
IT IS YOU WHO CALL US BY NAME
AND ASK US TO FOLLOW YOU.
HELP US TO GROW IN THE LOVE
AND SERVICE OF OUR CHURCH
AS WE EXPERIENCE IT TODAY.**

**GIVE US THE ENERGY AND
COURAGE OF YOUR SPIRIT
TO SHAPE ITS FUTURE.**

**GRANT US FAITH-FILLED
LEADERS WHO WILL EMBRACE
CHRIST'S MISSION
OF LOVE AND JUSTICE.**

**BLESS THE CHURCH
OF OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY
BY RAISING UP DEDICATED AND
GENEROUS LEADERS
FROM OUR FAMILIES AND
FRIENDS WHO SERVE
YOUR PEOPLE AS
SISTERS, PRIESTS, BROTHERS,
DEACONS AND LAY MINISTERS.**

**INSPIRE US TO KNOW YOU
BETTER AND OPEN OUR
HEARTS TO HEAR
YOUR CALL.
AMEN.**

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, September 14, 2024, 6:00 PM
 Joan Harmon by Mary and Kevin Harmon
 James Morgan by the Hayhurst Family

Sunday, September 15, 2024, 9:00 AM
 Ron Blackmur by wife Liz
 Pam Bolen Sinko by Patty Paser

Monday, September 16, 2024, 5:00—6:30 PM
 Quiet Adoration

Tuesday, September 17, 2024, 2:00 and 3:00 PM
 Kingsway Nursing Facility Masses

Wednesday, September 18, 2024, 9:00 AM
 Benjamin Draper by Margaret O'Connor

Saturday, September 21, 2024, 6:00 PM
 Albert V. Pierse by Lydia J.C. Pierse

Sunday, September 22, 2024, 9:00 AM
 Bill and Helen Vedder 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 living out Christ's Love for all... forever!

BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

**"Your God is ever beside you - indeed he is even within you."
 ~ Saint Alphonsus Liguori**

Live each day with God at the center of our hearts and help others see His love each and every one of us.



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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:

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$2440.00

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: 2105.00

Thank you for your generosity!



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 14, 2024

Greeters:
 Marilyn Schulmerich

Ushers and Seat Counters:
 Robin Hazzard

Lector:
 Patty Paser

Altar Servers
 Arriette and Nathan Kuehne

Eucharistic Ministers
 Joanne Newsome,
 Michele Cullam

Set-up/Shut down:
 Robin Hazzard

Sunday, September 15, 2024

Greeters:
 Michele Finin, Marilyn Nolte

Ushers and Seat Counters:
 Jackie and Ed Guntert

Lector:
 Sharon Riggi

Altar Servers
 Sam Borst

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down
 Betty Karlau, Marcia Guntert

Money counters:
 John Borst, Brynda Shultes

Saturday, September 21, 2024

Greeters:
 Ringuette

Ushers and Seat Counters:
 Bill Kuehne

Lector:
 Ringuette

Altar Servers
 Arriette and Nathan Kuehne

Eucharistic Ministers
 Gail Borst, Tom Valosin

Set-up/Shut down:
 Marilyn Schulmerich
 Joanne Newsome

Sunday, September 22, 2024

Greeters:
 Martha Conroy, Doreen Buzon

Ushers and Seat Counters:
 Marcia Guntert, Sharon Riggi

Lector:
 Brynda Shultes

Altar Servers
 Peter Sherer, Luna Pelton

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down
 Margaret Ostermann,
 Jackie Guntert

Money counters:
 D. Lloyd, Liz Blackmur,
 L. Pagano



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, Robert Malin, Jacqui Owens, Loretta Bodisch, Peter D'Arco, K + A Pagano, Marthe Therrien, Claire Evans, Margaret Casey Sprinkle, Douglas Bailey,



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

GIFT sessions began on September 8th. Projects for the Summer Season were presented at that session. Our next session at OLV will be held on Sunday, October 6th after our 9:00 AM Mass. It's not too late to register your child/family. The Fall Season (September—December) GIFT brochure can be found at church entrances.

Please note that the Liturgy of the Word newsletter is available for our young disciples grades 1 – 5. I encourage all to review stories, questions and helpful suggestions for parents, and prayers and Saints section. 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.

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

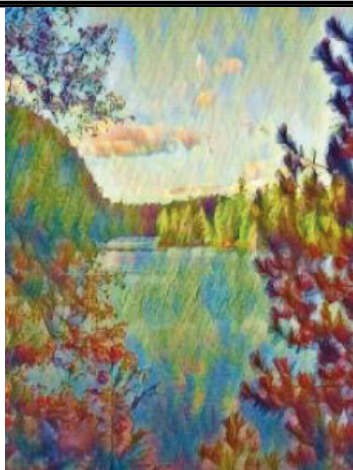


Please pray for our young people who will be celebrating Confirmation at St. Madeleine Sophie Catholic Church in Schenectady on Monday, November 4 at 6:30 PM.

- Caroline Borst
- Jane Koller
- Connor Kropp
- Tiaa Manikai
- Allison Okyay
- Maria Patino
- Josh Ringuette
- Brady Stemmler
- Robby Stemmler



Paint your world
with
Love and Beauty.



The Rosary Society Corner
The Rosary Society is meeting on Saturday, September 21st at 10:00 AM at our church hall. New members are always welcome.

PARISH PRAYER, SERVICE AND FUN

Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 15, Timothy Murphy Park, Middleburgh. Burgers and hot-dogs, bring a salad or dessert to share. Beginning at noon, this is always a fun community day along the Creek.



Joshua Project Family Fun Day

Sunday, September 15, 12 noon—4:00 PM Wayward Lane Brewery, 225 Ward Lane, Schoharie. To donate: JoshuaSchoharie.org or PO. Box 413, Middleburgh, 12122.

Square Dance

Saturday, Sept 21, 1:00 PM at the New Faith Community (Middleburgh Methodist) Hall.

Apples, Animals, and Donuts



Friday, October 4, 3:30 PM—5:30 PM at our Church Hall. Cider making (bring any apples!), donuts and St. Francis of Assisi Day Blessing of animals, pets and children at 5:30 PM. Come, hang out and learn how to make apple cider. Please bring in bottles and jugs for the cider.

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.



Community Scarecrows



Anyone wishing to put up a "happy scarecrow" on our parish property is welcome to celebrate this harvest season. Please call our office.

Vegetable exchange

Share the bounty of our beautiful valley. Vegetables can be dropped off on the west lawn, under the shade of the trees of our church. Take what you need; share with others. Extra vegetables will go to our food pantries.



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 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.

Consider Your Gifts

Beginning the weekend of Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 31st—September 1st, the Diocese of Albany will begin to implement a renewed *Called by Name* program to foster priestly vocations.

As pastors, administrators, an sacramental ministers we know our parish communities, the specific needs of the people and the ministerial demand that we work tirelessly to provide day after day. A single or few ministers alone are being stretched more and more to continue to be present to the people, take on additional ministries and witness to Christ to them in the way that they need when we are called upon.

It's time for us to ask for help! It's time for us to ask the people for a specific type of coworker in the vineyard. "Many hands make light work" as they say, however the role of the priest is unique in our Catholic Church. Please pray and think about people who might consider serving our parish communities. Remember, we are all God's People; we each have important roles to play as the Body of Christ. May God's Love abound in us all.

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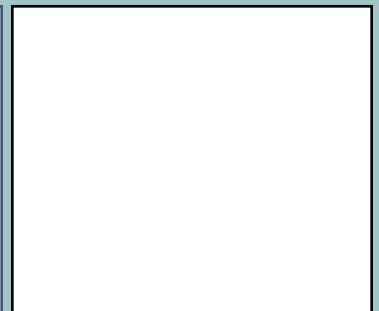
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