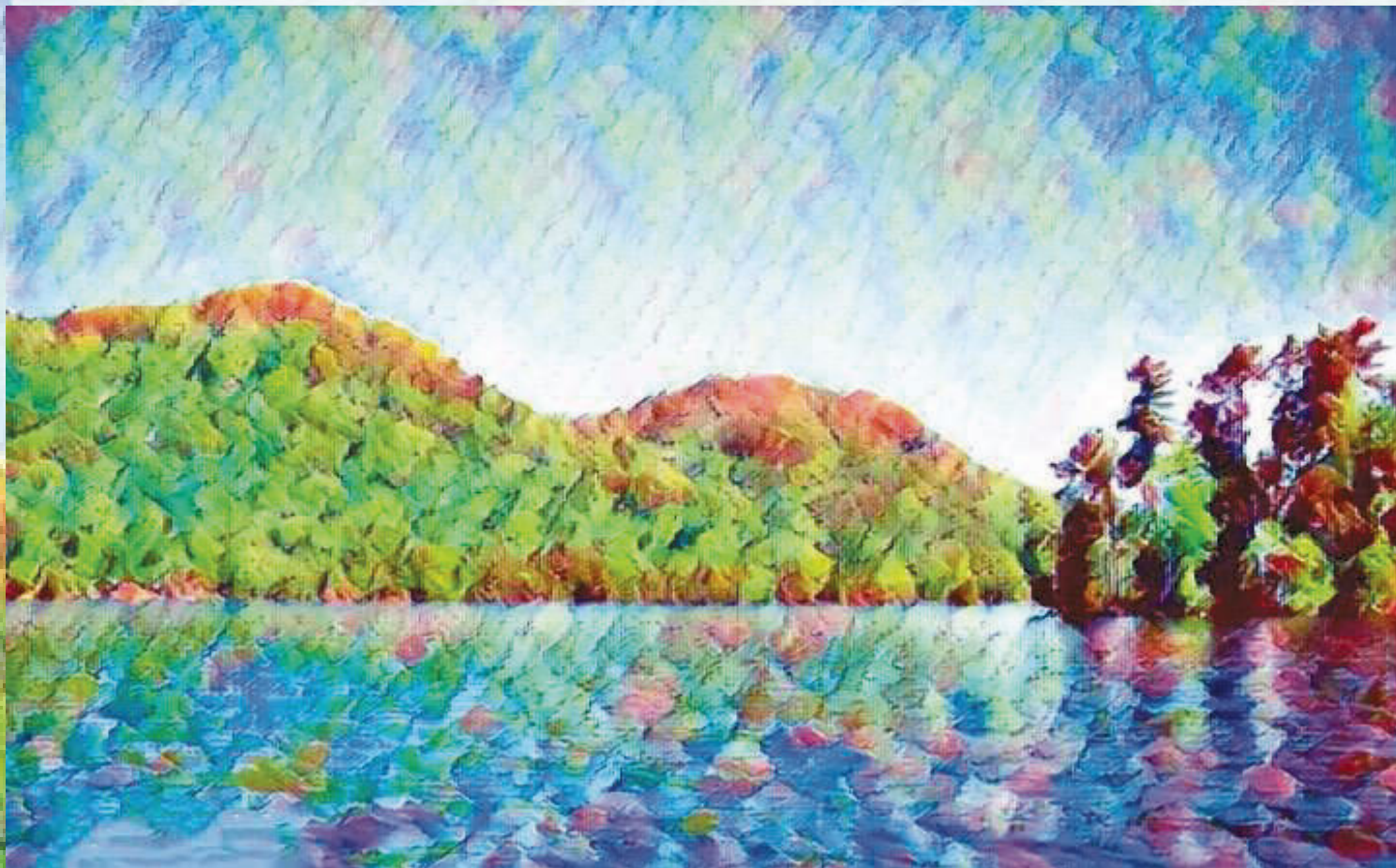


26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

"...AND GOD LOOKED AT CREATION AND FOUND IT VERY GOOD."



OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY

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Parish Website:

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

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Bulletin Items:

All bulletin items must be submitted 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, September 28, 2024, 6:00 PM
For all children

Sunday, September 29, 2024, 9:00 AM
For peace in the world

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

Wednesday, October 2, 2024, 9:00 AM
Arvona Paduano by Pagano Family

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

Sunday, October 6, 2024, 9:00 AM
For farmers



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

"If you have God at the center of all your actions, then you will reach the goal."
~ Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

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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:

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$1652.25

Thank you for your generosity!



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 28, 2024

Greeters:
Jane Munger

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Bill Kuehne

Lector:
Stephanie Tinker

Altar Servers
Arriette and Nathan Kuehne

Eucharistic Ministers
Joanne Newsome, Gail Borst

Set-up/Shut down:
Jane Munger

Sunday, September 29, 2024

Greeters:
Betty Karlau, Helen Lindstrom

Ushers and Seat Counters:
John Conroy

Lector:
Borst

Altar Servers
Caroline Borst

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down
Rosemary Gutkaiss, Jim Buzon

Money counters:
Margaret Ostermann,
Michele Borst

Saturday, October 5, 2024

Greeters:
Elise Ringuette

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Bill Kuehne

Lector:
Pat Costello

Altar Servers
Arriette and Nathan Kuehne

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 Coonrad

Money counters:
Lloyd, Blackmur, 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)**

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: olfgrowinginfaith.weebly.com

Our first GIFT sessions will be held on Sunday, October 6th at Our Lady of the Valley Hall after the 9:00 AM Mass and Sunday, October 20th 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 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



*Awaken to the mystery of being here
and enter the quiet immensity of your own presence.
Have joy and peace in the temple of your senses.
Receive encouragement when new frontiers beckon.
Respond to the call of your gift and the courage to follow its path.
Let the flame of anger free you of all falsity.
May warmth of heart keep your presence aflame.
May anxiety never linger about you.
May your outer dignity mirror an inner dignity of soul.
Take time to celebrate the quiet miracles that seek no attention.
Be consoled in the secret symmetry of your soul.
May you experience each day as a sacred gift woven around the heart of wonder.*

~by John O'Donohue

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

Thank you for your support of our summer activities: BBQ, Craft Fair, and Garage Sale. 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. We will have breakfast sandwiches before the parade at the Fall Festival.



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.

PARISH PRAYER, SERVICE AND FUN

Pastoral Council Meeting

Monday, September 30th, 2024 at 6:30 PM in our Church Hall.



Moms' Faith Sharing Group



We are meeting on Monday, September 30th starting at 5:00 PM with Eucharistic Adoration and then meeting in the Hall. All moms are welcome.

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.



Annual Apple Pie Fundraiser



We'll be making pies on October 4th and 5th. This year, the proceeds from our annual apple pie fundraiser will go towards the Kitchen renovation and the Young Family Services (Schoharie Catholic Charities). The pies will be \$13.00 and freezer ready (not baked). Choices are as follows: homemade apple pie, homemade apple/cranberry, sugar-free apple pie, sugar-free apple/cranberry. Order are taken until 9/28. The pies will be available for pick up on Saturday, 10/5 between 1:00 and 5:00 PM. There is a collection basket in the Hall.

**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 19th 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 9th and 10th. Contact Sean Boyan at 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 quebecois dinner including porc frais, poutine, corn and turkey cascade. 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 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 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

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