Parish website: www.olvsayrenj.com

CLERGY OF THE PARISH
Very Rev. Thomas Ryan, KCHS, Pastor
Deacon Edward J. Majkowski, KHS

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday
9:00 AM to Noon / 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
(The Parish Offices are closed on Saturdays, Sundays,
Holy Days and Holidays, and from 12:00 – 1:00 PM daily)

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John J. Tutela, (732)-750-3341

OUR LADY OF VICTORIES CEMETERY
New Calvary Cemetery
Washington Road, Parlin – (732)-257-0077

SUMMER SCHEDULE OF MASSES
Saturday Evenings: 5:00 PM
Sundays: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM
Weekdays: 7:30 AM, 7:00 PM Monday evenings
Saturday Mornings: 9:00 AM
Holydays: As announced

DEVOTIONS
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena
Mondays immediately following 7:00 PM Mass.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE
Saturday: 11:00 AM – 12:00 Noon
Or by appointment with a priest.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
The first and third Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM.
Arrangements are made by calling the Pastoral Office.
A class for parents is required.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY
Couples should reserve the wedding date with Our Lady of
Victories Church BEFORE any social arrangements are made.
This should be done at least one year in advance. Please call the
parish offices for further information.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
St. Peter Medical Center and Robert Wood Johnson Hospital
have full time Catholic Chaplains appointed by the Diocese of
Metuchen. These Chaplains are responsible for all Sacraments
administered to Catholic patients. Emergency call at other
hospitals in our area are handled by various Parishes. The priests
of Our Lady of Victories Parish make pastoral visits to our
parishioners. Please call the Pastoral Office and let us know when
someone in your family is in the hospital. Please also call at any
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**Mass for the Week**

**MONDAY - August 26, 2019**
- 7:30 AM † Jack Floersch r/o Gibson Family
- 7:00 PM † Stjepan Bisaha r/o The Labruzzo Family

**TUESDAY – August 27, 2019**
- 7:30 AM † John Golka r/o Patricia Brewer

**WEDNESDAY – August 28, 2019**
- 7:30 AM † MaryLou Murphy r/o Bill & Elva

**THURSDAY – August 29, 2019**
- 7:30 AM † Eugene Fedor r/o Grandchildren

**FRIDAY – August 30, 2019**
- 7:30 AM † William Henry r/o Daughter, Mary

**SATURDAY– August 31, 2019**
- 9:00 AM Mass Association
- 5:00 PM † Louis E. Hoffman r/o Daughter & Family

**SUNDAY– September 1, 2019**
- 7:30 AM † Bob & Audrey Kimmel r/o Family
- 9:30 AM † Catherine Morrissey r/o Michael & Francis O'Connor
- 11:30 AM For Our Parishioners

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Memorials for the Week of August 25 - August 31

**BLESSING MOTHER’S ALTAR**
- Gladys R. Rzepka r/o Children, Bob & Sue Ann
- For the Safety of our Military Families
  - r/o The Lesinski Family
  - Jean & Stanley Marcinczyk r/o John & Judy Stover
  - Lillian & Louis Hoffman r/o Daughter & Family

**ST. JOSEPH’S ALTAR**
- Glenn Maldonado r/o Son, David & Daughter, Jane

**BREAD & WINE**
- For Expecting Parents

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**
- For Vocations

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**Pray for Vocations**

Remember a living or deceased loved one or a significant anniversary with the mass intention.

Call the parish office to schedule a Mass Intention or a Memorial Candle.

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**RECENT COLLECTIONS REPORT**

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*Thank you for your generosity!*

**A Stewardship Thought . . .**

“For behold, some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last.” (Luke 13:30)

Our standards in society are different from God’s standards. We often rank people by what they have, how powerful they are, or how successful they are. Jesus reminds us that God will not judge us by the same earthly standards. When God asks you, “what have you done with the gifts I have given you?” How will you respond?

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**This Weekend’s Scripture**

**First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21**

Isaiah portrays a time when people from many nations will gather in Jerusalem and proclaim God’s glory. God’s messengers will teach many nations about God. Just as the Israelites bring offerings, these messengers will bring people from all nations to worship.

**Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13**

The Hebrews are told that God disciplines those he loves. When a parent disciplines a child, the child usually learns what is expected of him. The Hebrews are encouraged to face life’s trials as a form of discipline, and attempt to learn something from them.


Jesus warns that the door to God’s kingdom will be locked for those who ignored his wishes. Many people will come from all nations and take their place in God’s kingdom. Others will not be recognized by God, and he will reject them.

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**Regular Mass Schedule Resumes September 3rd**

- **Monday** 6:45 AM, 8:15 AM and 7 PM
- **Tuesday– Friday** 6:45 AM and 8:15 AM
- **Saturday** 9 AM and 5 PM (Vigil)
- **Sunday** 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 10:30 AM and 12 Noon

*September 2nd, Labor Day 9 AM Mass*
Our Lady of Victories School
Visit our website at www.olvnj.com

Become a Part of the OLV School Legacy
Registrations are now being accepted for the 2019/20 Academic Year.
Grades PK3–8
Call to schedule a visit (732)-254-1676

One-day, 9-mile Walking Pilgrimage
“The Way of St. Juan Diego”
Saturday, September 21, 2019

In preparation for the Consecration of the Diocese of Metuchen to Our Lady of Guadalupe, all youth, families and people of faith are invited to participate in a Walking Pilgrimage on Saturday, September 21st, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
The walk will begin and end at Immaculate Conception Parish, 316 Old Allerton Road, Annandale. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop James F. Checchio.
The cost is $20 by August 30th or $25 thereafter. The walk will take place rain or shine.
Registration is required. For details or to register, visit www.LightingHeartsOnFire.org/walking-pilgrimage
Registration deadline is September 13th.

Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration
You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen.
Renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service in the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen.
Sunday, October 27, 2019 at 4:00pm
Please register online at diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold
If you are unable to access, please contact the Office of Family Life Office at (732)-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org
Registration will close on October 11, 2019.

Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude can be made online or calling (732)-562-1543.

Religious Education
With the new school year quickly approaching, our Religious Education program is in search of new volunteers to help support the quality of our program. Catechists, catechist aides, and other various positions are available. Anyone interested in joining this important ministry should contact Jamie (jwojcik@olvsayrenj.com) to set up an appointment to discuss the possible opportunities.
All are welcome!

Discover the “Epic” Story of the Catholic Church
Experience Church History from a Catholic Perspective!
As Catholics, we are heirs to a remarkable heritage. The history of our Faith is so much more than a list of facts and dates. It is a fascinating story of adventure, rebellion, tragedy, and triumph. A story 2,000 years in the making, one word best describes Catholic history. Epic: A Journey through Church History is a captivating and fast-paced look at the story of the Catholic Church. Beginning with the lives of the apostles all the way up to the present day, Epic takes the immense history of the Church and simplifies it into twelve, color-coded time periods.
In the course of twenty sessions, participants learn about the major people, places, and events that comprise the captivating story of Christianity. This Study provides participants with an understanding of Church history that enables them to have a greater sense of meaning and identity as Catholics.
Sessions will begin the week of September 10th and be held on Tuesday Evenings and Friday Mornings.
For Registration information contact:
(Tuesdays @ 7 PM)- Maureen Bender (732)-254-2531 or (732)-254-4402
(Fridays @ 9:30 AM) Marilyn Granieri (732)-322-2765.

The OLV Youth Group will be implementing a new ministry, Service Saturdays, throughout the upcoming school year. The day will consist of community service opportunities at various locations for students in grades 7 through 12 and end with the celebration of Mass.
This is a great opportunity to take our faith to the next level and go out and serve as Jesus calls us to do.
Upcoming service dates are:
September 21
October 12
Anyone interested in joining this ministry (adult volunteers included) should email Jamie (youthministryolv@gmail.com) to lock in their spot or request additional information.
“Faith without works is dead.” – James 2:26

Our Lady of Victories School
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Did you know OLV Church offers an opportunity for Online Giving? Are you used to Online payment options for your household and personal bills? You can register with Online Giving for your church contributions. Payments can be made from your checking account or credit card on a schedule you determine. Additional information can be found on our website in the donation tab www.olvsayrenj.com

OLV BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY
If you have lost a loved one, please join our peer support group for a 10-week series. Sessions to begin Thursday, September 12th @ 7 pm.

Our mission is:
- To provide a Christ-centered support group for those grieving the loss of a loved one.
- To provide knowledge of the grieving process and tools for the healing journey.
- To provide an environment that promotes caring, compassionate, and confidential space to heal from grief.

You must be 18 and over to participate. There will be no cost to attend.

For more information please contact Marilyn Granieri at 732-432-0226. Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

OLV Seniors September Meeting
The OLV Seniors will hold their first meeting of the 2019-2020 year on Friday, September 6, 2019 at 1:30 PM in Monsignor Dalton Hall. At this meeting dues of $15.00 will be collected. All new members are welcome.

Balance for the play, Ain’t To Proud should be sent to Teri Yetsko no later than August 30th. All checks should be written to OLV Seniors and sent to Teri Yetsko, 6 Lani Street, South Amboy, NJ 08879.

Balance on the Lancaster Christmas trip can be paid at the first meeting.

We will continue to donate unperishable goods to St. Vincent de Paul Society at all our meetings. Any questions please contact Teri Yetsko at 732-727-7639.

OLV Seniors Rock and Roll 50 Dance
The OLV Seniors is sponsoring a benefit Rock and Roll 50ies Dance for the OLV School. The event is scheduled for Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 6 PM to 10:30 PM. Doors will open at 6 PM.

Music will be provided by Clem and Friends. The ticket price is $40.00 a person. Food will be provided but it is a BYOB event. There will be a 50/50, stage prizes, and more.

For further information or to purchase tickets please contact Teri Yetsko at 732-727-7639 or 732-742-1320 or Carmen Delikat at 732-254-9425.

Upcoming Trips
Sponsored by OLV Seniors
NYC Play- “Ain’t Too Proud”- Wednesday, October 2nd at 2 PM. The cost of the trip is $250.00 which includes the theatre ticket (orchestra section) bus transportation, bus gratuity, dinner at Hurley’s and bus snacks. For further information or to reserve a seat please contact Teri at 732-721-5081.

Christmas Lights in Dyker Heights, Brooklyn, NY- Friday, December 6, 2019. The price of the trip is $145.00 which includes bus transportation, bus gratuity, dinner at Tommaso Restaurant, guided tour of the Dyker Heights Neighborhood, all taxes and gratuities. For further information or to reserve a seat please call Finita at 732-721-5081.

OLV Bereavement Ministry
Our Neighbors In Need Find Help Here.

We are here to bring God’s love to those who are poor and suffering. If you or someone you know is in need of assistance please contact us through the parish office. In the past we’ve helped people with rent, utility, groceries, medicines and many other needs. No work of charity is foreign to our society. In the name of Christ we are here to help and to serve. Please put us to work.

If you would like to find out more about the society, please join us for our meeting September 23rd at 7:30 PM in the Msgr. Dalton Hall.

Can you please help by donating to our food pantry? We gratefully accept all non-perishable food items however presently we need the following: paper towels, canned or packaged fruits, canned tuna and meats, pasta sauces, crackers. Donations can be left in the church lobby after any mass. Thanks!

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UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Wednesday, August 28
Catechists/ VBS Review Gathering 7 PM

Tuesday, September 3
First Day of OLV School

Friday, September 6
OLV Senior Meeting 1:30 PM

News from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
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