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175TH CELEBRATION

Our servers for the 175th Closing Mass with Archbishop Schnurr. Servers in picture (L-R): Andrew Reckers, Joseph Monahan, Ethan Plagge, Jake Vollmer, Daniel Millea, Alex Brigger, Michael Faillace.



FOOD PANTRY

Patty Middendorf
Joan Riestenberg
Peggy & Eddie Edwards

OLV BAPTISMS

Matthew Ryan
Son of Joseph & Nicole Joyce

Emily Jo
Daughter of Joseph & Nicole
Joyce

Audrey Marie
Daughter of Michael & Caroline
Rapier

Violet Patricia Ann
Daughter of Christian & Sara
Tolzmann

Stiles Heinrich Theodore
Son of Christian & Sara Tolzmann

Pierce Michael
Son of Benjamin & Julie Hodson

Chloe Ann
Daughter of David Manz II &
Jennifer Bischoff

Elise Mary
Daughter of Dennis & Anne Teppe

Grace Margie
Daughter of Kyle & Natalie
Brunsmann

Mitchell James
Son of Michael & Lauren Gerde

Jaxson Lee
Son of Matthew & Heather
Delaney

Noah Thomas
Son of Christopher & Katherine
Osborne

Hudson James
Son of Jason & Brittany Rogers

IN LOVING MEMORY

Joseph V. Re
James C. Lang
Joan Riestenberg

MEMORIAL MASS

Robert Sullivan
Cindy Paff
Helen Panno
Joan Riestenberg
Lisa Bischoff
Joe Grafenstine
Lois Smith

WELCOME!

TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

Jennifer Bischoff
Daniel & Rachel Rose
Michael & Nicole Huber
Mike & Emily Ramstetter
Guy & Jenna Beck
Kevin & Lisa Sykes

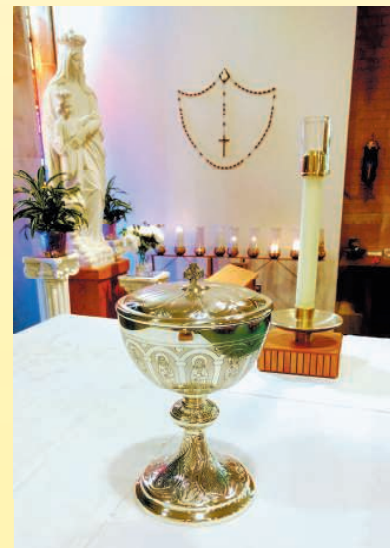
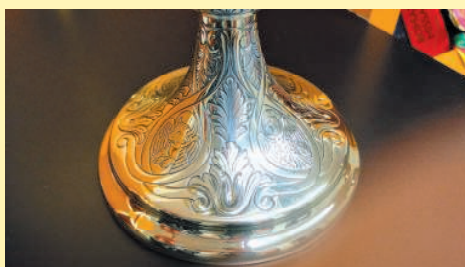
JOIN THE 175 LEGACY CLUB

Please consider supporting our projects by joining the 175 Legacy Club in honor of our 175th Anniversary! You and your family will help provide a lasting impact to our parish and school, and will be permanently recognized in the OLV Grotto and Rosary Walk area with your name or memoriam engraved on the donor recognition plaque. Deadline is Dec. 1, 2017. The requested contribution is \$175. Make checks payable to "Our Lady of Victory". Have questions? Please contact Andy Spinney at 513-347-8819 or at getinvolved@olv.org.



OUR NEW CIBORIUM

A ciborium is a vessel made of precious metal used to contain the Blessed Sacrament after consecration. The difference between a chalice and a ciborium is that a chalice holds the Precious Blood and ciborium holds the Precious Body. If you look closely, you can see our ciborium has saints that cover the outside.





ADVENT CANDLE SALE

The first Sunday of Advent is December 3rd!

Looking for candles for your Advent wreath? Don't have an Advent wreath but would like to make one? Victory will be selling supplies during the month of November to help your family celebrate the season of Advent to the fullest!

Order forms can be returned to the parish office in person or by mail by **Wednesday, Nov. 15** with checks made payable to Our Lady of Victory. Orders can be picked up after Masses the weekend of November 25/26 or in the parish office the week of Nov 27.

All orders will come with a prayer resource for the Advent wreath.



ORDER FORM

Payments can be mailed or returned to the parish office by Wed., Nov 15
810 Neeb Rd. Cinti, OH 45233



NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

ITEM:	QUANTITY	PRICE/ITEM	TOTAL
Box of Advent Home Candles (3 violet, one rose)	#	\$7.00	\$
Metal Wreath Candle Holder	#	\$9.00	\$
TOTAL			\$



Join us
for
Christmas at
Our Lady of Victory

MASS TIMES
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24
4:00PM
11:00PM "Midnight Mass"
MONDAY, DECEMBER 25
10:00AM AND 12:00PM

OLV HISTORY TIMELINE

By Kathy Lynn

February 2, 1834 - The Roman Catholic Society of Delhi Township was formed when the Catholics in Delhi gathered at Philip Owen's house.

August 17, 1842 - Adam Emge deeded land on Rapid Run to the church and donated the lumber to build the first church and school.

1842 - Fr. John Martin Henni was assigned as the priest for St. Stephen's Church.

1842 - 12 children attend school in the church to learn German, religion, arithmetic, reading, and writing.

December 26, 1844 - Anna Mary Freytag, daughter of Anthony and Susanna, was baptized. This was the first recorded baptism at the new church.

January 5, 1845 - St. Mary's Ladies Society was organized to supply articles for Mass. They eventually furnished the rectory, too.

1845 - St. Stephen's Society was established, giving the men the opportunity to serve the school and church. This later became known as the Holy Name Society.

November, 1851 - Fr. Engelbert Stehle was assigned to St. Stephen's Church.

March 18-22, 1852 - The church was disassembled, moved to land donated by Blaise Schwietzer and Johann Gerteisen on Neeb Road, and reassembled.

July 10, 1853 - The cornerstone for the first brick church was laid. This new church is called "Maria Zum Siege", German for Our Lady of Victory. The name was changed in remembrance of where Fr. Stehle was ordained in France.

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SPRIT SHOP

New Merchandise, New Hours!

Our Lady of Victory's Spirit Shop has exciting news for you! Regular hours have been instituted. The Spirit Shop will be open the first Thursday of every month from 3-4 PM and every third Thursday from 6-7 PM during the months of November through May. These regular store hours will be augmented with additional hours throughout the year. Stay tuned for special Spirit Shop opening and events.

Parish and school families now have the opportunity to shop a wide selection of beautiful new items and products showing off their love of Victory. Check out the latest new additions, including uniform-approved polos and pull-overs, spirit wear for grandmas and moms, men's wear from the Athletic Association, pajama pants, ladies' Dry-Fit tanks, magnets, mugs, and much more!

Wear your love of Victory right on your sleeve! Come in and shop for yourself and for gifts during these convenient and reliable new times. Our Lady of Victory, pray for us!



WELCOME ANDREW RECKERS, NEW SEMINARIAN INTERN

By Rebecca Sontag



Andrew Reckers, lifelong resident of the Westside of Cincinnati, is the oldest of Bridgetown's Michael and Mary Helen Reckers' four children. Andrew was raised in a devoted Catholic family who instilled a sense of duty and reverence in their children regarding the precepts of the Holy Catholic Church from the

very beginning by regularly attending Mass and observing Holy Days of Obligation, making regular Confession, receiving the Eucharist, and fasting and supporting the Church. It was from this foundation that Andrew first heard the whispers of his calling as an altar server which grew to an undeniable presence too loud in his life to ignore.

After graduating from Elder High School in 2004, Mr. Reckers continued on to the University of Cincinnati where he entered and completed his Bachelor's degree in Biomedical Engineering in 2009. He still attended Mass with his family and continued to live at home. It was a tumultuous time for the United States economy and for Andrew personally as well. The lucrative field he was studying in a PhD program for wasn't producing as many jobs. UC's budget shrank drastically cutting funds to support graduate students thereby squelching Andrew's plans to pursue his PhD. Ultimately, after graduation, Andrew ended up helping his family undertake a bold and new endeavor of buying an embroidery franchise.

Paths are rarely straight nor do they bend and wind as one may expect and Andrew's path is no different. But even as a high school student, Andrew's path was oriented towards the search for Truth (with a big "T"). Initially he found the straightest and clearest approach to understanding God and the mystery of existence was through the rational clarity and certainty of mathematics and science.

Then, a gradual awakening towards the fullness and richness of truth revealed through the Church started stirring in Andrew about halfway through college when he found Catholic radio on the dial instead of his regular talk radio favorites that had been previously narrating his daily commute to and from UC.

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Here he learned about “apologetics” and discovered that the Church has solid and well-reasoned answers to the skeptical questions posed by the secular world. It was through listening to these on-air conversations where a corner was turned. In Andrew’s words, “the big game changer for me was when I came to the realization that faith and reason were compatible with each other.”



From here, Andrew’s faith began to unfurl and flower with an exciting new virility allowing his once whispered callings to grow louder and louder. Andrew started attending daily Mass and making regular and frequent Confession in addition to attending church with his family. His world brightened and worldly anxieties began to fade.

What was once a whispered suggestion to an altar server became a 30-second ad spot on Sacred Heart Radio when the sing-song (perhaps slightly corny) voice of the then vocations director for the Archdiocese would call out daily, “Will youuuuuuu respond?” Finally after graduating college and seeing his family’s business venture through to its end, Andrew responded to Jesus’ call. And just as Peter says, “Where would I go, Lord? For you have the words of eternal life.” so to then did Andrew finally say, “Yes.”

With warmth, gratitude, and appreciation for his varied duties and contributions to Our Lady of Victory during his internship year as part of his priestly formation do we extend Andrew Reckers, 5th year seminarian, a gracious welcome to our community. Our Lady of Victory, pray for Andrew and pray for us!



175TH PICTURE DEDICATION

Fr. Reutter & Ms. Amy Borgman accepted framed pictures in honor of our 175th

OLV HISTORY TIMELINE

December 4, 1853 - The first Mass was held in the new church.

1854 - Fr. Nicholas Wachter was named as the first resident pastor of Maria Zum Siege. A wooden rectory was built for him, just east of the church.

March 4, 1854 - The first recorded burial was held for Jacob Hinterlang, age 1 1/2, son of Martin and Mary.

January 16, 1855 - Joseph and Magdalen Yunker were married in the first recorded marriage.

1869 - At the request of Fr. Henry Thein and the help of the parishioners, a new school was built.

September 25, 1870 - St. Rose of Lima Young Ladies Society was established to aid in supplying needed articles for the Masses.

1870 - St. Aloysius Young Men's Society was organized to serve the needs of the parish and the school.

1871 - Land behind the church was dedicated to being a cemetery.

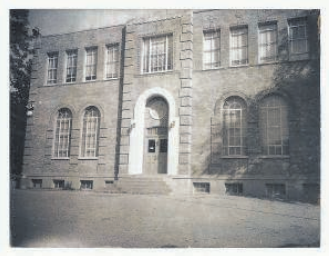
1875 - Fr. Florian Karge was the first pastor to be buried in the cemetery in section 2. The cross by the priest section was most likely erected around this time.

1887 - Fr. Francis Mesmer, after briefly serving our parish in 1881, returned to become our pastor. He remained until his death in 1907.

1892 - The care of the school was given over to the Sisters of St. Francis of Oldenburg of Indiana. The first principal was Sister Eleanore Waechter.

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OLV HISTORY TIMELINE



Pictures
from OLV
Archives

PUBLIC ROSARY RALLY AT OLV!

By Cathy Kappa (Worship Commission)

On Saturday, October 14, parishioners from OLV gathered outside on the library parking lot facing Neeb Road to pray the rosary. We held a large banner that said:

100 years ago, Our Lady of Fatima requested: "Pray the Rosary." As human efforts fail to solve America's key problems, we turn to God, through His Holy Mother, asking His urgent help.

Lorraine Hentz organized this public rosary rally at our parish as a special public commemoration of the 100th year anniversary of Our Lady's apparitions and miracles at Fatima, Portugal.

Accompanied by Craig Johnson, we sang "Immaculate Mary", and "O Sanctissima". We prayed the Angelus, the Joyful Mysteries, and the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was a beautiful day and many cars waved or honked their horns as they drove down Neeb Road.

Why do we need to pray the rosary in public?

- You can reach fallen away Catholics. If they see us praying in a public place, they may be moved to become better Catholics.
- The power of prayer should not be underestimated. Pro-life Catholics have been

praying in front of abortion clinics for decades and have blunted the advance of abortion.

- You know the media will not promote devotion to Our Lady or to the rosary! Catholics must not be ashamed of their faith. This is an opportunity to teach others how to pray the rosary.
- We have a duty of honor God publicly. Secularists have been attempting to drive religion and morality out of the public square and even our schools.
- "Public prayer is more powerful than private prayer to appease the anger of God and call down His mercy, the Holy Mother Church, guided by the Holy Spirit." St. Louis de Montfort

Many thanks to all who helped organize, set up, and participate in the Rosary Rally! This was a simple yet powerful opportunity to show God and His Blessed Mother our love and devotion!

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PUBLIC ROSARY RALLY AT OLV!

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Pictures submitted
by Cathy Kappa.



OLV HISTORY TIMELINE

1898 - A new rectory was built.

1899 - The first brick school building was built. (This school remains on our property. It is the back half of the library building.)

1900-1910 - Section 3 of the cemetery was opened.

January 28, 1905 - St. Mark Benevolent Society was organized to provide aid and relief to the sick and dying members of its society.

1907 - Fr. Joseph Sund became our pastor. He served our parish for 45 years, until his death in 1952.

1908 - 11 acres was added for cemetery and parish expansion.

March 10, 1908 - The wrecking of the 1853 church began.

April 9, 1908 - The building of the new church began.

May 3, 1908 - The cornerstone was laid.

October 23, 1908 - The ball and cross were raised on top of the steeple as the children sang "O Du Hoch Heilig Kreuze" (O You Most Holy Crosses).

January 1, 1909 - The first Masses were celebrated in the new church. Thomas Bross, son of William and Catherine, was the first to be baptized.

April 21, 1909 - Joseph Binder and Mary Ann Kayser were the first to be married in the new church.

May 2, 1909 - The new church was dedicated "Nostrae Dominae de Victoria".

1915 - Henry Reimerink sold 3 acres for \$1.00 for cemetery use.

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OLV WALK PICTURES



Pictures taken by Andy Spinney

TESTIMONY OF FAITH TO MARRIAGE

BY Jim and Pauline Grome

We are serving Our Lady of Victory Parish as Marriage Preparation Ministers. In 1985 we responded to an ad in the O.L.V. Sunday Bulletin requesting help to prepare engaged couples for a joy-filled marriage. The ad stated that the benefits were out of this world. This is a ministry where husband and wife work together to help ensure that couples are ready for the ups and downs in marriage. Fourteen years into our Christ-centered marriage and four growing children were sufficient credentials to apply for the job.

Inviting engaged couples into our home for their mutual sharing and reflection on the FOCCUS Inventory Statements helps the couples prepare very well for a lifelong Catholic marriage together. We also gain so much from listening and sharing with them. It's a win-win experience. We encourage them to invite Jesus Christ into their marriage daily as the first person and stabilizer in their Love Triangle. This has worked for us, and it has impacted our marriage of 46 years. We have worked with so many wonderful Marriage Prep Team Couples during our 32 years serving in this ministry at Our Lady of Victory Parish. This is a joy-filled ministerial experience for us.

Now that we have a center aisle, we are optimistic that we will be blessed with more wedding Masses at Our Lady of Victory Parish.

Jim & Pauline Grome
Marriage Ministry Contact
513-922-5659
jamesgrome@fuse.net

OLV HISTORY TIMELINE

November 22, 1917 - On that Feast of St. Cecelia, the first convent was dedicated.

February 15, 1920 - A fire was discovered by Fr. Sund in the sacristy. Vestments and other valuable items were destroyed.
1920 - Parishioners donated new stations for the Stations of the Cross.

1930 - An addition was added onto the front of the school. This is the current library building.

March 22, 1959 - A ground breaking ceremony was held for the new school building.

April, 1959 - The building of the new school began.

January 18, 1960 - A fire started in the vestments left in the sacristy after a funeral.

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A NEW POSITION

We have come to the end of a beautiful celebration commemorating our parish's 175 years as a faithful Catholic community. Innovative planning and hard work by many parishioners made this celebration a historical one.

In 1842, a group that called themselves the Catholic Society of Delhi Township worked together to build our first church; and today we continue to uphold those same principles of our first parishioners. As we move ahead to further our legacy at Our Lady of Victory, it is essential that those who have experienced growth here; whether in their faith life, their education, or those have begun their own legacy here; that they continue the stewardship that has been conveyed before us.

Recently our parish has gone through a transformation, with the campus landscape changing with new projects. There are even more projects in the works as we speak. Change is a good thing and OLV continues to do just that each day, within its faith community and especially with the education of our young students.

This past summer, our parish added a new staff position that is designed with parishioners in mind to plan for the parish: to increase involvement in all our parish wide activities and to develop new ways to continue the legacy here at Our Lady of Victory. Andy Spinney, a longtime member of the parish, as well as a 1987 graduate of OLV, says,

"I am truly blessed to have been named the new Director of Planning, Involvement and Development for Our Lady of Victory Parish. It is my commitment to continue what was started just over 175 years ago in a small log cabin just north of where we are now. But as you know, our parish cannot exist without all of us working together as one. Vince Lombardi once said; "Individual commitment to a group effort – that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work". Together, we can create another 175 years of legacy at Our Lady of Victory."

Some of his focus will be to bring new opportunities to our school, developing new clubs and groups such as: a community service

group for students, clubs for Math, Science, and Art, among others. In addition, he is working to bring back the school newspaper that was written & produced by students,

He will also be working on connecting with our alumni so that we can continue to spread the legacy that they have bestowed before us. This will include working with alumni to hold class reunions at OLV and to help them give back to their educational starting point. Andy said, "We're in the process of constructing a financial advancement program that will continue to give Our Lady of Victory students the best possible education for many years to come."

Over the years, the parishioners of OLV have developed a solid foundation for their faith. "Continuing to build on the faith formation programs that we have already in place are very important to me," said Andy. Encouraging more people to get involved is a must for our community to thrive, and a strength that we hold in our parish. We are looking to stay one step ahead so we can continue to give our students the best possible education, and help parishioners and families have a personal encounter with Christ in our faith community.

Go Vipers!

To contact Andy Spinney ('87) about getting involved, please email him at getinvolved@olv.org.



SCHOOL UPDATE

By Amy Borgman

What a blessing and an honor it is to be the principal at Our Lady of Victory School! I can't think of a better way to spend each and every day. I want to extend a thank you to all of the Victory parishioners for their generous support of Catholic education here at Our Lady of Victory.

We welcome our new students and their families to Our Lady of Victory. For those that are joining us for the first time, we are happy to have you join our OLV community. We look forward to continuing the school year where our students will grow in their faith and love of God.

We have an exceptional school at Our Lady of Victory, with a talented and dedicated faculty and staff. We are pleased to welcome these new faculty and staff members to Victory:

- Mrs. Kimberly Belt, our preschool teacher.
- Mrs. Michele Gettler joined our preschool team as an instructional aide.
- Ms. Molly Moehring joined our kindergarten team.
- Ms. Stephanie Franer joined the junior high team teaching 7th grade language arts and religion.
- Mrs. Julie Vaughn joined our junior high team teaching 8th grade language arts and religion.
- Mrs. Emily Ramstetter joined us as the 5-8th grade art teacher.
- Mrs. Shannon Dunham joined us as our new full-time nurse.

All of our new faculty and staff have excellent qualifications and are enthusiastic about being a part of the Victory family.

School Improvements

There have been many hours of work done on our school building. It looks amazing both inside and out! There are fresh coats of paint in classrooms, hallways, banisters, new carpeting, paint and flooring in the office, concrete work outside, mulching, and the list goes on and on. There are many people who I would like to give a big THANK YOU to for the countless hours of

work they have done, including John Robel, Mark Schneider, Mike Mecher, and countless others. Please tell them thank you! They spent most of their summer making Victory look wonderful.

Our New Preschool

We were very excited to welcome our very first class of preschoolers to Our Lady of Victory! We have a full classroom of 18 students who were very eager to join the Victory family! The preschoolers are adjusting well and add a lively spirit to their hallway. They are developing a love for school and becoming life-long learners. They are excelling in the warm, nurturing environment that has been created for their first learning experience and developing a love for school. We are very excited to have them and look forward to watching these students grow!

Student Council Representatives

Congratulations to our newly elected Student Council homeroom representatives. We thank you for your willingness to share your leadership and talents with our school. Thank you to Izzy Accurso, Julia Eilers, Peter Braun, Ben Johnson, Sam Jones, Haylee Hasson, Grace Plagge, Max Forrester, Reese Frondorf, Jonathan Aull, Anna Horgan, Grace Gonnella, Emma Fullenkamp, Max Brunner, Sydney Gavin, Allie Mangold, Sabrina Schultz, and Emma Camardo. We look forward to seeing the leadership that you will carry this year!

Walk for Victory

Our WALK is sponsored by our PTO. It is a wonderfully spirited day of prayer, excitement, and community as students, parents, and teachers walk to raise money for our school.

On October 6, excitement erupted from the Convocation Center as students, faculty, staff, and families joined together for to celebrate our Feast Day and for the annual WALK for Victory!

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SCHOOL UPDATE CONTINUED

The day started with a prayer service, then our Student Council led us in a cheer to get us excited and ready to WALK! What an exciting way to celebrate 175 years!

Thank you to all of the volunteers, parents, students, businesses, and staff who worked together to make our WALK so successful. We raised over \$29,000! The money will go towards technology and programs that enrich learning for our students, such as COSI. Thank you to everyone for their generosity!

Matthew 25 Ministries

One of the goals at Our Lady of Victory is to help our students put their faith into action. Our junior high students have the opportunity to join our Ambassador Board. Our Ambassador Board works with our assistant principal, Mrs. Hillebrand, to coordinate and plan service experiences for our school. Students in all grade levels have different opportunities for service throughout the year.

As our first service project as a school, we collected items for Matthew 25 Ministries to help aid those in Texas and Florida devastated by the hurricanes. The students and families at Victory really know how to put their faith into action! The amount of items and money collected was amazing! It really feels good to give back!

8th Grade Field Trip

Our 8th graders went to Matthew 25 Ministries for a day of service and bonding. We received many kind words about the students. I am very grateful for their positive attitudes and the work ethic they showed. They are a true testament of what a wonderful school we have here at Victory!

Caring & Sharing Spirit Day

Each month we have a Caring and Sharing Spirit Day! On this day students dress in their Victory spiritwear and bring in something for Our Lady of Victory's food pantry. Different grade levels bring in different types of canned goods or supplies. A flyer about what each grade level should bring goes home in our weekly Voice of Victory Newsletter. Our Student Council

sponsors this day and helps to collect the food donations from each homeroom.

National Junior Honor Society

At Our Lady of Victory, we are proud to have an active chapter of the National Junior Honor Society. Each year, students in grades 6-7 who meet the high standards of scholarship, leadership, service, character, and citizenship required for membership in the National Junior Honor Society are invited to apply. In May, we have our inductions.

In September of each year, the members who are inducted in May for NJHS elect officers that lead the NJHS.

Congratulations to this year's NJHS officers: Emma Austing, Sydney Gavin, Meghan Davitt, Libby Luebbering.

Thank you to Mrs. DiTullio, our NJHS advisor, and to our faculty council, who enable us to offer this opportunity to our students.

As we look forward to the months ahead, some of our upcoming highlights include Veteran's Day, Ambassador activities, Christmas programs and many more!

Thanks for putting together the historical information & beautiful displays for our 175th! We appreciate you!

Genevieve Kenney
Mary Feist
Larry and Judy Paff
Jim Shea
Anna Kolkmeier
Kathy Lynn



WHAT IS THE GOOD NEWS AT CHRISTMAS?

By Jonathan Schaefer

First we have to ask why did Jesus have to come to Earth? This is a common question many people ask at some time in their life. Couldn't God just forgive us and let us start again after the fall of Adam and Eve. This is a deeper question than you may think. In the beginning, Adam and Eve were made to be in communion with God. They had original innocence and original holiness. But they chose to turn from God and go against what He asked of them. This broke their communion with God but also broke their communion with each other. If you look after the fall in Genesis, they covered themselves and started using excuses for sin. There was a discord between them, they looked at each other differently. This was a break in communion with God on the vertical level, but also a break with each other on the horizontal level. They were no longer the way God intended them to be at Creation.

God wanted to remedy this and help us to get into communion with Him. God sent His Son Jesus to become man, one of us. This is called the incarnation. Jesus had to become man so that He could take on the sins of men but also be God so that he could cross the infinite divide that came between us and God. Jesus had to be God or infinite to repair communion with God on the vertical level. Jesus also had to be man so that He could take up our sins and become the sacrificial offering for all of us. This sacrifice helps to repair our communion with one another here on Earth, the horizontal level.

Advent and Christmas are right around the corner. Take some time this Advent season to really look at your faith. How are you drawing closer to Christ? Do you thank Him for His sacrifice? I invite everyone to use one of the Advent reflection booklets, available at the end of the month, to draw closer to God in the Scriptures. Take some quiet time to build up your relationship with Christ. Pray helps us to come into communion with God and will help us prepare to celebrate the incarnation this Christmas. Also, be sure to pick up the Christmas book this year, "Joy to the World", to be handed out at the Christmas Masses here at Victory. May everyone have a blessed Advent and Christmas Season! You will all be in my prayers.

Would you like to make a difference?

We need parishioners who would like to help keep OLV beautiful. Our campus is unlike any other on the westside and together we can help preserve what others before us have worked so hard to create. If you enjoy light landscaping and would like help, please call Andy Spinney today at 513-347-8819 or you can email him at getinvolved@olv.org. Thank you, and we look forward to hearing from you!

OLV HISTORY TIMELINE

October 22, 1961 - The new school was dedicated.

1962 - Fr. Wilfrid Dirr became the new pastor and remained until 1972.

1962 - A new convent was built for the Sisters of St. Francis. This building is used as the current Pastoral Center.

April 3, 1964 - After the Sorrowful Mother Novena prayers, the East Wing was blessed.

April 4, 1964 - The first Mass was celebrated in the East Wing. All Masses were moved to the East Wing.

May 3, 1964 - The 11:15 Mass was added to the schedule and takes place in the 1908 church.

1971 - A 4:30 guitar Mass was added on Saturday.

1972 - The 1908 church was evacuated and all Masses were celebrated in the East Wing.

1974 - Fr. J Paul Gruber was named our new pastor. He remained until 1982.

1976 - The gymnasium was built. It was expanded in 1986 and again in 1992.

1977 - The 1908 church was demolished.

October 28, 1979 - The cornerstone of the current church building was laid.

March 23, 1980 - The first Mass was celebrated in the new church.

1986 - The Angel and Mary were added to the outside of the church building.

2006 - Fr. James Ruetter was named our pastor.

2016 - The inside of the church was renovated to include a center aisle, new tiled floor designs, a permanent baptismal area and a larger choir section.

2017 - The Mary Grotto was blessed. The Rosary Walk and the Outdoor Classroom were built.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY SCHOOL SURVEY/QUESTIONNAIRE

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1. Please check the categories that apply:

- ☐ Parishioner
- ☐ Non-parishioner
- ☐ Parent of current student
- ☐ Parent of past student
- ☐ Parent of prospective student
- ☐ Grandparent of current student and parent of past student
- ☐ Grandparent of prospective student
- ☐ Parent of newly incoming student
- ☐ Other _____

2. Why did you choose to enroll your child at Our Lady of Victory (select as many as apply)

- ☐ Academic reputation
- ☐ Strong Catholic education
- ☐ Specific programs offered by OLV
- ☐ Recommendation of friends/family
- ☐ Affordability
- ☐ I and/or my spouse are graduates of OLV
- ☐ Other _____

3. Before enrolling your child in OLV, did you attend the OLV Open House?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ N/A

4. If you did attend the Open House, how important was this in guiding your decision?

- ☐ Very important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Neither important **nor** unimportant
- ☐ Somewhat unimportant
- ☐ Very unimportant

5. Where did you hear about OLV School?

- ☐ I am a parish member
- ☐ It is in my neighborhood
- ☐ Yard signs
- ☐ Social Media
- ☐ Newspaper (Delhi Press) or press coverage
- ☐ I and/or my spouse are graduates of OLV

6. What other schools (if any) did you consider before choosing OLV? Why did you consider them?

7. Please rate the importance of features in an OLV education: H=High, M=Medium, L=Low

Feature	H	M	L
IEP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Play/drama	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Catholic Environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reading Specialist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speech Pathologist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tuition Assistance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Power of the Pen	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
National Jr. Honor Society	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speech Contest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Full-time Nurse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kindergarten	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Psychologist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Technology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Junior High Electives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Geography Bee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spelling Bee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ambassador Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chastity Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enrichment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preschool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Math Specialist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Art/Music/Gym	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please continue the survey on Page 14

OUR LADY OF VICTORY SCHOOL SURVEY/QUESTIONNAIRE

8. What additional programs would you like to see added to the current offerings at OLV?

9. How well informed are you with regards to the activities/operations of the school:

- ☐ very well informed
- ☐ moderately informed
- ☐ minimally informed
- ☐ not informed

10. How do you get information regarding the school (check all that apply):

- ☐ Church bulletin
- ☐ Fellow parishioners
- ☐ Victory Vision
- ☐ Voice of Victory
- ☐ OLV email
- ☐ OLV mailings
- ☐ Facebook (social media)
- ☐ OLV website
- ☐ School families/children
- ☐ Local newspapers
- ☐ Neeb Road message board
- ☐ Other parents

11. Which 3 items above in item 10 should we improve? _____

12. Check the statement that you agree with regarding OLV's tuition and the academic programs it provides

- ☐ Tuition is too low given the academic programs offered
- ☐ Tuition is just about right given the academic programs offered
- ☐ Tuition is too high given the academic programs offered

13. OLV graduates were co-valedictorians at Seton and valedictorian at St. Ursula last year. If information such as that were on school brochures/marketing materials, would it have an influence on your decision to have your child attend OLV?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

14. Please provide any other comments regarding school issues.

You can also take this survey online at: www.olvdelhi.org/survey

Please return this form by Nov. 26th in the collection basket or mail to the church office at:

Our Lady of Victory Parish, 810 Neeb Road, Cincinnati, OH 45233

**COME MEET OTHER COUPLES FROM
THE PARISH WHO STRIVE TO LIVE
THE FAITH IN THEIR MARRIAGE!**

**THREE MARRIED COUPLES WILL
SHARE HOW GOD & THEIR FAITH
HAVE HELPED THEM THROUGHOUT
THEIR MARRIAGE. COME HEAR
THEIR WITNESS ON WHAT GOD HAS
DONE IN THEIR MARRIAGE!**

**COST IS \$10 A COUPLE.
MAIL OR DROP OFF YOUR FEE TO THE
PARISH OFFICE WITH YOUR NAMES.**

**TO REGISTER, CALL THE RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION OFFICE AT 347-2071 OR
E-MAIL JSCHAEFER@OLV.ORG
LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE!**

*Marriage is more than a fleeting fashion;
It is of enduring importance.*
- Pope Francis, Amoris Laetitia, 131

Nuturing Your Marriage Evening

PASTA DINNER FOR MARRIED COUPLES ON
WORLD MARRIAGE SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 11, 2018 6-8PM

**Whether you've
been married for
5 or 40 years
you will love it!!**

Advent Coffee Talk

WITH SEMINARIAN ANDREW RECKERS

***Begin this Advent Season with a new understanding.
Come hear about Advent & the Joy of Christmas.***

YOU CAN EVEN MAKE A WHOLE MORNING OF IT!

***Join us for 8:30 morning Mass, then stay for the rosary
following Mass. After the rosary come on over to the
Convocation Center meeting room and get some coffee!***

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH AT 9:30 AM

IN THE CONVOCATION CENTER MEETING ROOM

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND!



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A LOOK AHEAD AT VICTORY

SAVE THE DATE!

SANTA EXPRESS

Friday, December 1
6:00-9:00PM

Registration details coming
soon!

IMMACULATE

CONCEPTION MASSES

Thursday, December 7
7:00PM Vigil Mass

Friday, December 8
6:30AM, 8:30AM, and
7:00PM

ADVENT DAY OF

GRACE

Saturday, December 9
9:00AM-4:00PM

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Sunday, December 24
4:00PM and
11:00PM "Midnight Mass"

Monday, December 25
10:00AM and 12:00PM

NEW YEAR'S EVE

ADORATION

Sunday,
December 31
10:00PM-Midnight

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Monday, January 1
10:00AM
(Not a holy day of
obligation)

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