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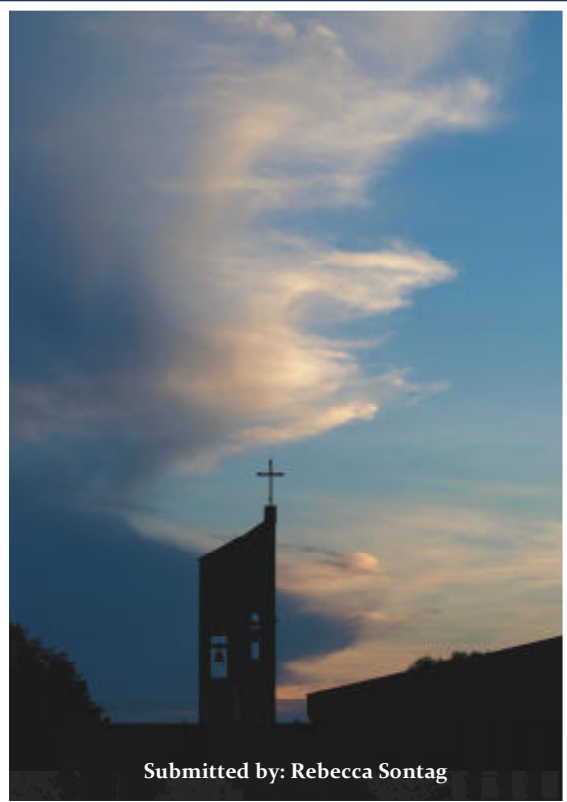
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## 2017-2018 Scholarship Winners





Submitted by: Rebecca Sontag

## WELCOME TO FR. BENEDICT!

We are pleased to announce that Fr. Benedict O'Cinnsealaigh has begun his tenure as our next parish priest.

Fr. Benedict O'Cinnsealaigh was born in Dublin, Ireland in 1964. He is a graduate of All Hallows College (Dublin), The University of St. Thomas Aquinas (Angelicum, Rome), and the International Marian Research Institute, University of Dayton (Ohio).

He was ordained to the priesthood in Ireland in 1993 and has a Doctorate in Theology. In 2011 he was appointed first recipient of the Daniel E. Pilarczyk Chair of Systematic Theology at the Athenaeum of Ohio. Fr. Benedict arrived in the United States in 1993 and became a citizen of the United States in 2000. After serving at St. Albert the Great parish, Kettering, Ohio and Holy Angels parish, Sidney, Ohio, he was appointed by Archbishop Pilarczyk to the Athenaeum of Ohio and Mount St. Mary's Seminary in 2000 where he taught theology at the seminary, LPMP program and was director of the Permanent Deacon Formation Program. He was appointed President of the Athenaeum and Rector of Mount St. Mary's Seminary of the West in 2011.

Fr. Benedict has two dogs, Wiley (German Shepherd) and Blathene (Irish for Little Flower, she is a Border Collie) and a cat named Gail. Fr. Benedict said he was very happy and honored to be appointed by Archbishop Schnurr as pastor of Our Lady of Victory parish.



## WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS!

Donald & Trasa Durban  
Arlen & Allie Lampe  
Samir Mabjish

## OLV BAPTISMS

Adrian Thomas Adkins  
Son of  
Nathan & Barbara Adkins  
Madison Rachael Reynolds  
Daughter of  
Gregory & Kelly Reynolds  
Aubrey Jean Smith  
Daughter of  
Scott & Cathryn Smith  
Alayna Jayne Webb  
Daughter of  
James Webb & Jillian McVey  
Chidike Isaac Obune  
Son of  
Isaac Obune & Beverly Ugondo

## FOOD PANTRY

Francis Fritsch  
Mark Kessler  
Laura "Sally" Averbeck

## MEMORIAL MASS

Kevin Gutzwiller  
Berta Klem  
Michell Foster  
William Ramussen  
Gloria Raphael  
Terence Garrison  
Jeanne Alberts  
Charles Paff  
Laura "Sally" Averbeck

## IN LOVING MEMORY

Thomas William  
Vernon Halverstadt  
Ruth Rowekamp  
Joseph Lipps  
Francis Fritsch  
Charles Paff  
Ethel Westerfield



# DON'T MISS THE 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL HOLY SMOKES BBQ COMPETITION

**A WEEKEND OF FUN FOR ALL AGES!**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 3  
6PM-12PM**



**6-8PM  
KIDS Q  
AGES 8-16**

**To register contact:**

[shannon.cavanaugh@setoncincinnati.org](mailto:shannon.cavanaugh@setoncincinnati.org)



**PEOPLE'S CHOICE  
CHICKEN WING  
8:30 PM**

**LIMITED TICKETS TO BE A JUDGE**

**STROLL AROUND TO MEET THE OVER 30  
COMPETITORS AND ENJOY:**

- **HOLY SMOKES BBQ FOR SALE**
- **BEER AND WINE BOOTHS**
- **CHANCES FOR WHOLE SHOULDERS AND  
BBQ DINNER FOR 50 PEOPLE**

**THE ACOUSTIC SOUNDS OF**

**OH  
BROTHER!**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup>**

**NEW THIS YEAR! BACON BURNER**

**8:00AM - BACON BURNER RUN AROUND THE  
VICTORY LOOP (3.3 MILES)**

**9:30AM - BACON BIT KIDS RUN (1 MILE)**

**ALL RUNNERS GET A PANCAKE BREAKFAST!!!**

**To register contact Michelle Menner at  
[missdoogan@hotmail.com](mailto:missdoogan@hotmail.com)**

**12PM-12AM - BBQ EVENT**



**1:00-2:30PM  
TEAM TURN-INS  
EVERY 30 MINUTES  
@ CONVOCATION CENTER**



**2:30PM  
PEOPLE'S CHOICE PULLED PORK**

**ENJOY GREAT FOOD**

**NEW GAMES, KIDS AREA**

**TAKE YOUR PHOTO AT  
INSTA"HAM" BOOTH**



**COME OUT TO HEAR**



**7-11PM**



**PROCEEDS FOR THE 2018 EVENT WILL FUND THE  
RENOVATION OF THE SCHOOL LOBBY**

- **NEW CARPET**
- **NEW STEPS**
- **NEW METAL OUR LADY OF VICTORY SIGN**
- **WALLS PAINTED IN SCHOOL COLORS TO WELCOME OUR GUESTS!**



## DEACON CHARLEY

*By Rebecca Sontag*

Charley Jenkins was sitting at his large oval dining room table, along with his five children and his wife Marlene, when the phone rang one evening back in 1974. Charley answered the phone even though it was dinner time. It could be a work emergency after all, and his responsibilities as a successful executive at The Midland Company required him to be on standby to handle any manner of mishap that may pop-up after business hours. It wasn't work on the phone, though. This was a very different kind of call.



On the other end of the line was Charley's friend from the parish, Joe Schultheis. Joe and Charley had served on many committees together and were both quite active at Our Lady of Victory in Delhi. Both of them had been on parish commissions and other committees; both were highly involved with the workings of and goings-on at the church. In fact, years before in the mid and late sixties, they were both in elbow-deep and in the thick of the discussions that extended from Rome all the way out to the parish-level regarding the Second Vatican Council. Many changes were being implemented following Vatican Two, not at all least of which was the re-establishment of the Permanent Diaconate in the Universal Church and its eventual arrival to the United States.

Still though, Charley wasn't exactly expecting what came next. Joe was calling Charley on behalf of OLV's pastor who'd been making similar calls all week long. The Permanent Diaconate was coming to Cincinnati and pastors all over the city had been charged with prayerfully selecting potential candidates and inviting them to apply to the seminary's new program. Victory's pastor had a couple of affirmative replies, but had decidedly more negative responses than he was expecting, and the rejection was getting to him. He couldn't take one more "no." So, he had Joe call Charley, just in case.

Joe wasn't looking for a firm commitment and Charley wasn't going to give one without checking first with his family. But Charley was interested, and he let Joe know. He got off the phone, went back to the table and Marlene said, "Babe, what was that about?" Charley retold the conversation and Marlene reminded Charley that he'd already decided against the priesthood when he left the seminary well-over 20 years earlier. And while yes, Charley had decided against becoming a priest, he had not decided against ordination.

"You can't be a beacon if your light don't shine," came the enthusiastic sing-song words from his eight-year-old daughter sitting across the table. She was referencing a pop song from the radio and misheard the word deacon, in the conversation, Charley saw what was at first an opportunity crystallize into this new path. Then Marlene said, "Honey, if that's what you want to do, do it."

After submitting application materials and a completing grueling 10-hour day of all varieties of testing and interviews came nothing. Day-after-day, week-after-week silence was the only response.

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# ***Ladies of Victory***

## **(LOV) NEWS**

**By Andrea Dresmann**

LOV held its annual Fiesta Dinner meeting, May 3. Congrats to the LOV/Maxine Muldoon Scholarship winners. Olivia Mohs and Mitchell Trotta were awarded this year's scholarships. This was the 10<sup>th</sup> year LOV has presented this scholarship to two eighth graders attending Catholic High schools in the fall. Each student read an excerpt from their essay to the group.

The last order of business for the May meeting was to discuss the bi-annual gift to the parish, based on Father's wish list. A very close vote decided to purchase a sanctuary bench and kneelers for the altar servers, purchase larger credence tables for both the sanctuary and chapel as well as donate towards the purchase of an electronic sign for in front of the church.

Thank you to all that helped with Tender Mercies on May 16. This was the second trip this year, something new that has been added to LOV's calendar.

Also at the May meeting, the new board was installed. Thanks to EVERYONE that has volunteered to keep LOV going!!

### **2018-2019 Board Members**

**President** - Michele Vollmer and Andrea Dresmann

**Vice-President** - Jennifer Bonnick and Kelly Goodin

**Secretary** - Patti Kaufman

**Treasurer** - Rachel Rose

**Auditors** - Peggy Braun, Margaret Henkel

**Historian** - Natalie Brunsman

LOV is a social and service organization for the ladies of the parish. Without volunteers, the LOV events would not occur. Dates are still being confirmed for next year, but these are the events LOV will offer in 2018-19.

### **Event Chairs**

**Tender Mercies** - Michele Vollmer

**Ladies Shopping Night (November 9, 2018)** - Kim Sinnard and Sara Gonnella

**Santa's Express (November 30, 2018)** - Peggy Braun and Jennifer Spieser

**Adopt-a-Family** - Andrea Dresmann

**Valentine's Dance (February 8, 2019)** - Jamie McWhorter and Kelly Fulwiler

**Mystery Trip (October 27, 2018)** - Cathy Ritter

**Bunny Brunch (April 6, 2019)** - Jamie McWhorter and Kelly Fulwiler

**Scholarship Committee** - Cathy Ritter

**Anniversary Brunch (March 24, 2019)** - Debby Luebbering and Suzanne Crable

Please consider volunteering for one of our events. It's a great way to get involved as well as give to the parish. If interested in volunteering, please contact the event chair or sign up at the September meeting. PLEASE contact Andrea ([andrea.dresmann@gmail.com](mailto:andrea.dresmann@gmail.com)) or the Ladies Of Victory Facebook group, if you are interested in LOV or need more info.

## OLV SPIRIT SHOP

Our Spirit Shop will be open the following dates:

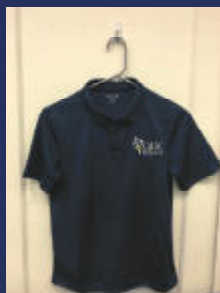
- August 8th, 5-7pm
- August 14th, 4-6pm
- August 16th, 6-8pm
- August 20th, 4-6pm

Get your uniform shirts, gym clothes, and items for school!

The Spirit Shop is located in Room 31 of Our Lady of Victory's Library/Science building. Cash or Checks only. Gift Certificates are available. Questions? Contact Sara Gonnella at [saragonnella18@gmail.com](mailto:saragonnella18@gmail.com).



New Spirit Day Shirt for Fridays  
(available in navy & gray)



New uniform polos & OLV Vipers shirts



New Men's Nike Polos



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## 6th Annual Ladies Retreat *Christ Renews His Parish* September 15-16, 2018

Ladies, please join us for Victory's 6th annual CRHP spiritual renewal weekend. It is a wonderful opportunity to share your faith with your OLV sisters, plus explore & strengthen your relationship with the Lord! Lots of inspiring testimonies will be shared. Delicious meals and comfortable overnight accommodations are provided.

**Cost: FREE**

**For further details, questions, or to register, please contact:**

Marilyn Konkoly (513) 451-3659 or [marilynk37@fuse.net](mailto:marilynk37@fuse.net)

Jennifer Bonnick (513) 200-5007 or  
[bonnick.jennifer@principal.com](mailto:bonnick.jennifer@principal.com)



# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT OLV?

*By Jonathan Schaefer*

Religious Education is one of the promises we make to the Lord at our children's Baptism. The Celebrant says, "You have asked to have your child baptized. In doing so you are accepting the responsibility of training them in the practice of the faith. It will be your duty to bring them up to keep God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and neighbor. Do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?" The answer by the parents is "we do." The godparents agree to assist the parents in passing on the faith. This is a very important mission in the church to pass down the faith to our children.

**Religious Education at Our Lady of Victory is for everyone.** We have many opportunities throughout the year for parents and adults to attend sessions to learn more, but to also walk with Jesus with others in the Parish Community. By doing this it helps us to be more vibrant in our faith and reminds us of the different aspects of the Catholic Faith. Meeting others that want to be closer to Christ in Spirit and mind will also give us the strength to become closer to Jesus in all we do. Learning and growing closer helps us to answer questions from our kids about the faith that might come up in school, RE classes on Monday nights, or just get answers to questions we have. All these sessions and programs start up again over the next few months. They are a great bonus in raising the next generation to understand why we do what we do as Catholics.

Starting in September is also a great opportunity for those in our parish that might like to learn more about the Catholic Church. These sessions are for non-Catholics who are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church and possibly join at the Easter Vigil. RCIA sessions are beginning in the Chapel on September 13th at 7 PM with no obligation to join the Church, but the opportunity to hear what the Catholic Church believes and why. We all must be open about our faith in conversation and encourage others we know that might be making the decision to make that next step in their faith journey. They can attend the RCIA, and with your support, can become new members of the OLV parish community.

All the other dates and times of events in the parish can be found on the parish website [www.olv.org](http://www.olv.org), but are also listed in the bulletin of the weeks prior. If time is keeping you from different adult education events then check out [www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org). This is a great place to go as a family or just as an adult wanting to learn more on their own time. There are many different Catholic study programs, movies, books, or audio files that are free to you as a gift from the parish. Just follow the link from the parish website.

Registrations are being accepted for Monday Religious Education Sessions for the children of the parish. Children who would like to learn more about Jesus and the Church each week are welcome to attend these classes. Monday Night classes are for all those in grades 1 through 8 who do not receive religion class during school. Second and eighth grades are Sacramental Preparation years. If you are registering a child for either of these two grades, they must have participated in First and Seventh Grade Religious Education classes last year. If you are interested in registering your child(ren) for the program, please download the registration form from our parish website. It is under the link for Religious Education. Every child must be registered for class before attending. If anyone has any questions, about Religious Education, RCIA, or Adult Faith Formation programs, please contact us at 347-2071 or e-mail [jschaefer@olv.org](mailto:jschaefer@olv.org).



# LAST CALL for TOTUS TUUS

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# JULY 15-20 2018

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## OLV

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TO BE A  
BLAST!

THIS SUMMER

REGISTER NOW AT  
[WWW.OLVDELHI.ORG/TOTUSTUUS](http://WWW.OLVDELHI.ORG/TOTUSTUUS)

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KIDS + TEENS

Teen program (Sun.-Thurs.) \$10

Kids program (Mon.-Fri.) \$20

## CONGRATULATIONS TO EAGLE SCOUT TOMMY RAY

On Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, parishioner Tommy Ray became the 47<sup>th</sup> Eagle Scout from Our Lady of Victory's Troop 909. The ceremony included current scouts, leaders and former Troop 909 Eagle Scouts. The celebration was attended by family and friends.

Only 2% of all Scouts attain the rank of Eagle. To attain the rank of Eagle, the scout must be a leader. The scout must plan, develop, and give leadership to others in a project of help to any religious group or community. The project must require the help of others. Tommy's project was to build a portion of the trail at the Kirby Nature Preserve. The work involved building stone steps and a path up a hillside. Thanks to the generous time donated by fellow scouts and classmates, the path was completed in May of 2017. This path provides a clear trail for hikers to safely walk, while allowing the habitat used by local wildlife to remain undisturbed.

**Scouting has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. It taught me so many things, such as discipline, teamwork, and the importance of serving others, just to name a few. There are no limits to the opportunities that scouting provides. We worked hard, and we played hard. We celebrated our successes, and learned from our failures. I learned how to be a leader from some of the best leaders that Boys Scouts has to offer. I met so many great people through scouts, and I have gained so many friends during my years in scouting. The scouting program has allowed me to challenge myself, realize my potential, and reach the goal of becoming an Eagle Scout. The lasting impact of my Boy Scout experience will remain with me always. – Tommy Ray**

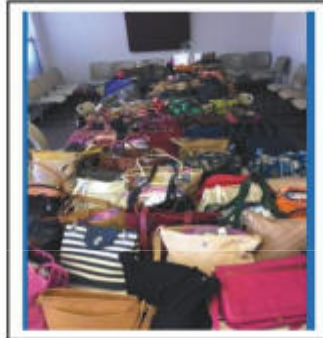




# Peace and Justice

The purpose of the Peace and Justice Commission is to establish, facilitate and review activities and educational programs that promote the principles set forth in the Mission

Statement: "to educate, inform, and call all members of our parish community to a responsible and Christ-like action regarding social, economic, political, environmental, or any other issue that concerns human dignity and the quality of human life worldwide."



## By The Numbers 2017-2018

- Little Dresses for Africa..... 660+ dresses
- Christmas in July- School Supplies for Holy Family and OLV..... 100s boxes
- Food Pantry (including Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter boxes)..350 families
- Purses for a Purpose (purses and hygiene products).....110 purses
- Giving Tree:
  - Gifts to Children in the West End Community.....299 gifts
  - Community Land Co-op.....\$640.00
  - St. Vincent De Paul Families .....58 families
  - Healthy Babes and Mom's.....6 boxes full
  - Hats, Gloves, and Blankets.....25 items
- Matthew 25 Ministries (cleaning supplies).....200 filled bags
- Sandwiches for Our Daily Bread.....200+
- Hygiene bags for Mission Trips (hand sewn by talented Parishioners)...500 bags
- Christmas Cards for Military (VA hospital and Red Cross).....170 cards

One day a man was walking along the beach when he noticed  
A boy picking something up and gently throwing it into the ocean.

Approaching the boy he asked "What are you doing?" The boy replied "Throwing Starfish back into the ocean. The surf is up and the tide is going out. If I don't throw them back, they will die."

"Son," the man replied, "don't you realize there are miles and miles of beach and hundreds of starfish? You can't make a difference!"

After listening politely, the boy bend down, picked up another starfish, and threw it back into the surf.

Then, smiling at the man, he said,

**"I made a difference to that one."**

# CHRISTMAS IN JULY IS COMING!

*Submitted by Patty Overberg*

The Peace and Justice Commission for the second year will sponsor Christmas in July for Holy Family School. This event collects school supplies of all kinds for their students from pre-school through eighth grade. They currently serve approximately 216 children from very diverse backgrounds including Caucasian, Hispanic, and African-American, Catholic and non-Catholic alike. Their incredible administration and teaching staff are dedicated to the success of every child through the standards set forth in their mission statement. It states: "Holy Family School, as part of Holy Family Parish, is a Catholic school committed to Gospel values incorporated throughout its strong academic program. The staff integrates the best instructional practices to foster the gifts of all students, empowering them to meet the challenges of the future." While the staff does an amazing job, they still need help from parents and the community.

The parents of the Holy Family students are very proud of their children and what they accomplish despite obstacles and daily hardships. They want the same opportunities and successes that every parent wants for their child. It can be hard when you have to decide between the school supplies your child needs for school and the groceries you need to feed your family. It can be hard to do homework if

there are no pencils or crayons at home to use. These parents do an amazing job as well, but they also need some help from the community.

So we the people of Our Lady of Victory are the community that can lend a hand. We are the community with Holy Family because we are Catholic, we are neighbors, we are parents, and because we love them, share their commitment, and are compassionate! So watch for our Christmas in July Giving Tree to go up on the weekend of July 28 and 29.

Ornaments with needed school items listed on them will be hanging on the tree. We invite you take an ornament (or several) or just buy whatever you prefer and return them the following two weeks: August 4&5 and August 11&12. Every donation will help! Please watch the buy one, get one sales and give the second one to Holy Family. Pick up an item or two each week when you go to the grocery store; it can be small and inexpensive, but it will make a huge difference for a child.

Please help us to make year two even bigger and better than our successful drive last year! Peace and Justice as always appreciates your participation and support! Thank you!



## TOTUS TUUS POTLUCK PARTY

*Bring your best grub!*



**CONVOCATION CENTER  
MAIN HALL  
JULY 18, 2018 | 5:15PM**



*The kids will sing songs and share what they've learned.*

## DEACON CHARLEY

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No word came and Charley and his fellow applicants were starting to get nervous. Then came a sharp rapping at the door. The postal worker offered the letter along with a pen to sign the form acknowledging the addressee was in possession of the long awaited response. Yet, it read more like a court summons.

The incoming students were informed by certified mail what time and in which room they were expected. In less than a month, in the old Norwood location, the Mount Saint Mary's Seminary of the West began the formal formation process in this pioneering moment. Bosses were informed, families adjusted their schedules, and classes began.

It was September of 1974. Dozens of men from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, including Charley Jenkins, entered the Athenaeum of Ohio after obtaining the sponsorship of a diocesan priest and successful fulfillment of the entrance requirements. It was there that they—and to a great extent their wives as well—found themselves in the inaugural class for the Permanent Diaconate.

It was a collaborative project in which they now found themselves. Everything was new for everyone. Faculty and students were learning together figuring things out along the way. And while methods and practices were developed as they went, it all happened under the competent, inspired and inspiring guidance. This leadership came from the jovial and charismatic Fr. John Rea who was overseeing the deacon class and from Sr. Elizabeth Lang who was guiding, leading, and teaching the wives (whose participation was not only vital but required, as well). Between the two of them, and with the full support of Archbishop Bernardin, they developed a well-formed community of devoted men—accompanied by their wives—ready to embrace this new vocation unfurling before them all.

Two years later, 39 men from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati returned to parishes across the archdiocese to embark on this new mission of service to God and community as newly ordained Deacons of the Church. Yet, the particulars as to what that ministry was and how they were to be of service was still a matter of question. This question would require a reply that was dynamic and responsive in manner based on the needs of the parish, the needs of the pastors, and the needs of the parishioners, including the community as a whole. It also depended upon the offerings of these new deacons.

Deacon Charley was in a unique position being one of three new deacons at Our Lady of Victory Church. There was an abundance of help, but systems had yet to be worked out. What were they all to do? Masses were regularly scheduled amongst the deacons. Deacons are able to officiate services, and assist at Masses for both weddings and funerals. However they were initially encouraged, though not scheduled, to attend both. There may be no Deacon at all, or maybe the three would work out who would show up depending on how family and work schedules aligned on a given day. After all, their first vocation was to their wives and family, providing for them, so they arranged their ministry schedules around work and family schedules.

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## SCHOOL UPDATE

By Amy Borgman

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Our Lady of Victory School, we wish everyone a healthy, happy, and safe summer of sunshine and laughter! There are so many people that make OLV the BEST! I am so grateful to our many volunteers, parents, parish members, teachers, coaches, staff members, and students.

As the year came to a close, we sent our graduates forth with best wishes. We hope they always recognize God's love for them and God's presence in their lives. Good luck in your new adventures of High School!

Please continue to keep our incoming third graders in your prayers. They celebrated their First Communion on April 29.

Our National Junior Honor Society induction was in the month of May. Students are elected for NJHS based on the national criteria in five areas: scholarship, service, loyalty, character, and citizenship. Thank you to Mrs. DiTullio who serves as our chapter advisor and the faculty panel who helps with the NJHS.

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## DEACON CHARLEY

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A new assignment was given to these three fledgling Deacons when they were invited to distribute Communion to and pray with Catholic patients at Cincinnati's Jewish Hospital. This assignment would impress upon Deacon Charley the magnitude of his new vocation and the gravity of the responsibilities and gifts he now bore. How else could a thoughtful and sensitive soul respond? There was the emergency page to assist Fr. Birelli in the Baptism of a premature infant, a baby whose skin was as transparent as tissue paper and whose parents burned raw with both anguished desperation and impassioned hope.

Then there was the tormented divorcee burdened with self-loathing, cancer, isolation, and desperation. And also came the anguished plea of the dying man who begged for miraculous healing after reaching out from the depths of catatonia. And Deacon Charley would ask himself (as should we all), "Quid Christus agat? What would Christ do?"

The Permanent Diaconate has been a gift to the members of the Church both individually and as a whole. But this gift is not unilateral. It is an exchange of grace and blessing that the Lord, our God, has given to us all. Yes, certainly Deacon Charley and his brethren have dispensed many gifts and riches unto the lives of parishioners in the Church, world wide.

But as with all that God intends, when we are most fully living in accord with God's will, it is never in isolation. As Deacon Charley Jenkins said, "You don't get those kinds of everyday occurrences, you get maybe two or three like that in a lifetime. And I can't tell you the impact they've had on my life. It's just incredible."

## VIRTUS TRAINING SESSION

If you are working with children in any capacity within the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, more specifically at Our Lady of Victory, you **must** take the VIRTUS Training Session.

**What is VIRTUS?** VIRTUS assists the Church in being a safe haven for children by preventing child sexual abuse within the Church and society in general. You can learn more about VIRTUS by visiting: [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) or for more information, please contact the OLV VIRTUS Coordinator, Randi Hom, at 347-8824.

**Our Next Session at Our Lady of Victory is  
August 8th at 6:30PM in the CC Meeting Room.  
Please register online at [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org).**

## OUR CUB SCOUT PACK HAD IMPORTANT & EXCITING EVENTS IN MAY & JUNE

*By Ron Lewis*

In May, the Cub Scouts, along with other parishioners took the time to remember the reason for Memorial Day. After the 11:00 a.m. Mass on May 27<sup>th</sup>, Memorial Day weekend, they all took part in a tradition that OLV Cub Scout Pack 909 has been doing for many many years: placing an American Flag on the graves of the Veterans buried in OLV Cemetery. It provided the opportunity to remember what Memorial Day is about.



As June began, the Cub Scouts held their annual Parent/Son Campout at Delhi Park. They had a great time at the Campout—2 of our Arrow of Light Senior Webelo scouts crossed the bridge AND their parents--- THANKS to OLV Boy Scout Troop 909 for providing the awesome rope bridge. The event included a nice family picnic dinner, fun water balloon launches, and some wiffleball too! In the evening, there was the patriotic flag retirement ceremony and then some s'mores to top off the night. We had 8 tents filled with parents/sons camping overnight. Donuts and juice were great on Sunday morning and we hit the road before the rain came. What a wonderful campout!



## SCHOOL UPDATE

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We are proud to congratulate Riley Allgeyer, Zane Arar, Keira Bailey, Chloe Banta, Grace Broxterman, Allie Cappel, Jack Davis, Luke Flowers, Cammie Goodin, Connor Hess, Lucy Honkomp, Ava Hoog, Sam Jones, Mitch Kelly, Garrett Kessler, Zach Mohs, Drew Murphy, Julia Nix, Brady Ohmer, Connor Ohmer, Aydan Plummer, Annaliese Roos, Nick Salamone, Anna Schmitt, Ava Siefke, Joey Sinnard, Sammy Swafford, Jessica VanDeVelde, Ella Vollmer, and Briana Wuebbeling.

Thank you to our PTO Co-Presidents Megan Hughes and Carrie Sullivan and to the PTO Board and PTO parent volunteers for all of their help and support this year. Thank you to our Education Commission for their leadership this year. We are so blessed to be able to have such a wonderful school for our children. We couldn't do it without the volunteer efforts of so many people. On behalf of our OLV faculty and staff, we want you to know that we APPRECIATE you!

Have a spectacular summer!



# THE SANCTUARY WALL PROJECT

*By John Roebel*

Thanks to a generous, fully funded donation from a parish family, the decorative surface of the wall behind the altar has been changed to complement the reverent and inviting theme associated with the church renovation two summers ago. This project took a little longer to design and engineer due to both artistic and technical challenges.

Starting with the artistic, the challenge was how to merge the existing overall contemporary architecture of the church with the goal of being warmer and more inviting. We were able to do this by continuing the beautiful warm wood feature of our ceiling that has been recently been highlighted since the replacement of our main lighting a decade ago. These new lights have an up-lighting quality that shows the extraordinary beauty of our wood ceiling that had gone unnoticed by most. This wood is much warmer than the spilt-face concrete block we were used to seeing behind the crucifix. The lighter main body of the wood panels connects the altar area with the ceiling. The trim on the wood panels is darker, picking up the rich tones of the crucifix, wood beams, and the pews. Secondly, the new porcelain tile behind the altar and crucifix completes the path with the center aisle as we enter the back of church, traveling to and through the sanctuary to the tabernacle and the crucifix.

From a technical standpoint, a big hurdle existed with the need to work around the crucifix. Why work around it you may ask? Two major reasons: 1) A cost estimate of \$5000 was received just to lower the cross and reattach it after resurfacing the wall; and 2) The crucifix is quite large (the wall is 28 feet high!) and the handling/rigging was judged to be very difficult and carry a high risk. Fortunately, there was a space of 6 inches between the back of the cross and the wall surface. This meant that we could possibly mount materials in that void without removal of the cross. To complicate this tight working area problem, the wall surface was very irregular, making many resurfacing processes impossible. Our talented team was able to call on their extensive design and construction experience to devise a method and plan to overcome these obstacles.

Bottom line was that Erin and Rob Rink, Neil and Ginny O'Connor, and Tom Butler, guided by Father Reutter, were able to use their ingenuity and talents to find the right design, the right materials and the right contractors to make this project a reality. My contribution was to ask them to do it and get out of the way! Many thanks to them and the contractors: Schoch Tile and Carpet; Valley Interiors; and Contemporary Cabinetry East. This was a beautiful and creative solution in our effort to make our worship space more enriching for our parish family.





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August 3-4

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### FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (A Holy Day of Obligation)

August 14: Mass at 7PM

August 15: Masses at  
6:30AM, 8:30AM, &  
7:00PM

### FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

August 23

### PARISH PICNIC

August 25

4:00PM Outdoor Mass

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STARTS

Monday, Sept. 10  
6:45PM

### FAMILY MASS

Sunday, Sept. 9  
11:00AM

Donut Social to follow in the  
Main Hall

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### LADIES CRHP

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