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# THE VICTORY VISION

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## *Vision means making a difference*

My brother David and his wife Karen have four children: Daniel, who died a few days after his birth, James, Samantha and Dean. Dean suffers from occasional minor seizures, but a few years ago he had a major seizure and was rushed to the hospital. He was in a coma and placed on life support. For a few days it was touch and go; would he come back to us? The family kept a constant vigil at his bedside. My youngest brother Gerard, who is usually silent, went every evening after work and spoke to Dean almost constantly.

When Dean awoke from the coma, he was anxiously waiting for Gerard's visit. When Gerard arrived, Dean said: "You promised me that you would take me on the train engine and let me drive." In fact, of all the things people said to Dean while he was in a coma, this was the one thing he clearly remembered. You see Gerard works in a train yard in Dublin Docks and promised Dean when he awoke, he would take him to the yard and let him drive one of the huge diesel engines. For Dean driving the train was a dream come true. For everyone else, Dean's return was a dream come true. Our family could not imagine life without Dean, it just wouldn't be the same. It wouldn't be life as we expected.

Albert Einstein said "If you want your children to be intelligent, read them fairy tales. If you want them to be more intelligent, read them more fairy tales." President John F. Kennedy said: "Children are the living messages we send to a time we will not see." Einstein spoke to the importance of a child's imagination as the foundation of being great and doing great things. President Kennedy spoke to the consequences of the lessons we teach our children for their own lives and for the lives of others in the world and in the future.

God sent His Son as a child. Soon we will celebrate the memory of the birth of that child, Jesus. We can't imagine a world without that child. His birth, His life, His teaching, His Death and Resurrection has made all the difference in our lives. Without this Child, life just wouldn't be the same – life just wouldn't be life. The stories about Jesus are not fairy tales, but they are stories that inspire, make a difference, change hearts, and build character. These are stories we pass onto our children, because children become the men and women, the fathers and mothers, and the leaders of the future. The stories we tell them impact their very souls and make all the difference. The most important story is the story of the Child who was born for them and who asked them to be like Him and live for others.

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Passing along these stories is the mission of all parents. Our work is to make a difference by forming hearts and souls. Let's take up that mission again as a new generation – so that through our children our future will be better than our present, our children's children will be even greater than our children. Let's help them build the country, the society and the Kingdom of God we like to talk about and hope for. Let's continue to help our children become a living message for generations to come! Our witness to our children can, and will, make all the difference.

*fr. Ben*

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT:



**TERESA HUMPHREY**

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### **WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS!**

Jack Kolhoff  
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Daughter of  
Craig & Jennifer Behrendt  
Finn William Main  
Son of  
William & Courtney Main  
Maxwell David Grooms  
Son of  
Chad & Emily Grooms

### **FOOD PANTRY**

Henry Hofmeyer

### **IN LOVING MEMORY**

Margaret Thornton  
Betty Mueller  
Thomas Hentz  
Louis Albers  
William Lohman  
Jeanette Flynn  
Laura Hutzel  
Robert Barnes  
Bernard Loechtenfeldt  
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Gloria Richmond  
Mary Wetterer  
Charlie Wetterer  
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OUR 2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR PRE-REGISTRATION FOR PRESCHOOL, KINDERGARTEN, AND 1ST GRADE BEGINS ON OCT. 15TH.

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COME SEE WHAT OUR LADY OF VICTORY IS ALL ABOUT!

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# *School Update*

**By Amy Borgman**

What a blessing and an honor it is to be the principal at Our Lady of Victory School and 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.

I am looking forward to a wonderful 2018-2019 school year. We welcome our new students and families to our Victory family. For the families that are joining us for the first time, we are so happy to have you join our OLV community. We invite you to call with any questions you may have, and look forward to having our students continue to grow in their faith. We look forward to our 2018-2019 school year where our students will continue to grow in their faith and love of God.

We have an exceptional school at Our Lady of Victory. We have a talented and dedicated faculty and staff who provide a well-rounded education that challenges all students to think, imagine, discover, pray, and to serve. We are looking forward to a fantastic school year! We thank you for sharing your children with us each and every day!

We are pleased to welcome new faculty and staff members to Victory. Mrs. Jill Shoemaker, joined our preschool and teaches both the half and full day preschoolers. Mrs. Kim Sinnard, joined our preschool team as an instructional aide. Mrs. Jennifer Ostertag, joined our Jr. High team teaching math and science. Mr. Scott Alexander joined us in the art department teaching grades 5-8. Mrs. Ali Delianides has joined us as an instructional aide. Mrs. Kate Carmosino is our new cafeteria manager. Mrs. Nikki Cappel has joined the staff in the cafeteria as well. We have three ladies who have joined our staff in keeping our students safe at recess. We welcome Mrs. Rochelle Hafner, Mrs. Marty Karnes, and Mrs. Shannon Smith. All of our new faculty and staff have excellent qualifications and are enthusiastic about joining the Victory family. I am very happy and excited that they are part of our faculty team.

There has 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 and stair treads in the lobby, festive cafeteria painting, new flooring in the preschool, a new bathroom in preschool room, room numbers in the hallway, PBIS banners in the hallways, concrete work outside, mulching, flower beds, and the list goes on and on. We are blessed for all the volunteers we have at Victory! THANK YOU for helping us make our school so inviting and a wonderful place to call our second home.

We have started a new program at Our Lady of Victory this year called PBIS. PBIS stands for Positive Behavior Intervention Support. We have a vision of a Victory where students are even kinder, teachers are even more positive, and everyone is united by a common language and common goals. We want our school to be so infused with our Victory Values that it's impossible to spend a minute in our school without knowing who we are. We are Christ-like. We are problem-solvers. We are responsible. PBIS is based on the idea that when students make mistakes in behavior, it is an opportunity for learning and growth. When students make a mistake on a math problem, we teach them and help them. When students struggle with reading or writing, we work hard to help them develop the skills they need to succeed. When students struggle with behavior, we want to teach them and help them practice meeting our high behavioral expectations. We want to build skills and a positive, supportive community. Using the PBIS framework, we will teach students exactly what it means to be Christ-like, to be problem-solvers, and to be responsible in each aspect of their day at school. We will go over examples and non-examples.

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# *Ladies of Victory*

## (LOV) NOTES

By Andrea Dresmann

Thanks to everyone that was able to attend the September Meet and Greet. LOV is a great organization to meet other ladies of the parish and participate in community events for the parish.

LOV's Mystery Trip is Saturday, October 27. For more details see the Ladies of Victory Facebook page or contact Cathy Ritter at [cathyritter1010@gmail.com](mailto:cathyritter1010@gmail.com).

Our biggest fall event is the LOV Shopping Night in the Convocation Center on Friday, November 9th at 7pm. This event is LOV's major fundraiser. We use the profits from this event to fund our parish events, service projects and scholarships. Please join us! Again, details can be found on our LOV Facebook page or contact Kim Sinnard at 513-377-0691 or [sinnardkim@gmail.com](mailto:sinnardkim@gmail.com).

To round out the rest of the year, we have Santa's Express on Nov 30 and LOV adopts a family from the Giving tree at Christmas.

The LOV board for 2018-2019 are: Jennifer Bonnick, Peggy Braun, Natalie Brunsman, Andrea Dresmann, Kelly Goodin, Margaret Henkel, Patti Kaufman, Rachel Rose and Michele Vollmer

As always - LOV LOVES all our many great volunteers that help us.

Thanks for stepping up and helping us in so many ways. Any ladies who are looking for ways to get involved in the parish, **LOV** (Ladies of Victory), has many options, big and small! Contact Andrea Dresmann at [andrea.dresmann@gmail.com](mailto:andrea.dresmann@gmail.com), if you are interested in getting involved, a little or a lot!

## *Now and Then*

Submitted by Kathy Lynn



Let's look back at our school buildings. In 1899, the first brick school was built. It was named St. Stephen's School. In 1930, an expansion project added on the front half of the building. This now houses the restrooms downstairs, the library and 3 extra rooms upstairs. Do you think any of these trees is the tree in the middle of the parking lot?

# *Our Lady of Victory Food Pantry*

By Angela Aull

***"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed." - Proverbs 19:17***

30 years! Next August, Our Lady of Victory's Food Pantry will have been in continuous operation for 30 years.

During this time, countless numbers of families in the surrounding area have been helped in times of need by the ongoing generosity and volunteer work of OLV parishioners. The community has rallied together and have also made significant contributions to this work, most notably the Delhi Fire Department and Delhi Kroger.

Our Lady of Victory parishioners can be proud of this important mission to the needy in our community. With the Lord's help, we hope this mission will continue far into the future.

Teresa Humphrey's passion, leadership, and devotion has been instrumental in the success of this mission. She has coordinated all the work related to the Food Pantry since it's beginning 30 years ago. Teresa will be retiring from the Food Pantry in August of 2019. Words cannot express the thanks she deserves for her time and self-less giving. She is a true blessing to us all.



With Teresa's upcoming retirement, we are looking for someone or a team of individuals to step up to coordinate this important work. Teresa is willing to guide and mentor the next coordinator for as long as needed. All current schedules and procedures related to the Food Pantry would be evaluated and subject to change in order to accommodate the needs and preferences of the new leadership. Please give this opportunity prayerful consideration. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Teresa at 922-2229 or 404-8081.

*"For some people volunteering is about giving... but for the likes of you, it's a way of living..."*  
Thank you Teresa for being a blessing and an example of Christ's love for all.





Thanksgiving 1998  
Marge, Teresa, and Joan in the East Wing



Thanksgiving 2012



2006



2013



2006



Easter 2005



2016



2017

# *Honduras Mission Trip*

**By Ron Lewis**

What wonderful things can be done when many hands come together to do God's work! In late July and early August members of Our Lady of Victory joined with several other Cincinnatians and people from all over the U.S. to go on a medical mission trip to San Antonio de La Cuesta, Honduras. For nearly two weeks, this group worked with members of a group in Honduras called Asociacion Gozo y Esperanza, which means the Association for Happiness and Hope, to provide medical clinics for people in the town of San Antonio de La Cuesta and in several areas in the mountains surrounding that town.

Many thanks to the many members of Our Lady of Victory who came together one evening in July in the Convocation Center to help separate, count, organize, and package a great number of medicines, pills, and care packages which the group took with them. In the town we provided several clinic days at the town's Health Care Center. We were also able to provide 3 medical "clinic days" up in the mountains. In fact, our clinic was set up in the school building for the neighboring people in the mountains. Over the course of the mission trip, the team met with over 1200 patients; adults and children.

The team included 4 doctors, several nurses, a pharmacist, a translator, and more. Parishioners who went included Josh Kaine, who is a medical doctor, Mary Beth Rebennack, the pharmacist, and Ron Lewis, translator. I know I speak for the entire team when I say it was a privilege to serve these people and use our talents to "Go Make a Difference in the World" as in the familiar song we have sung at Mass at OLV.

The medical mission trip was sponsored by an organization called Volunteers in Medical Missions (VIMM). It was an opportunity to share our talents and share our faith. Each and every clinic was always opened with a prayer. The process of our clinic was to "sign in", have vital statistic measurements (blood pressure, etc.) taken, then consult with the doctor. Next, the people would go to the "pharmacy" area, and finally the prayer station. The patient would be asked "Oremos juntos?" (Can we pray together?) and the enthusiastic response was almost always yes. The people are very devout and the group which hosted us were incredible hosts. This trip was a blessing for those who went as much as it was for the Hondurans we assisted. I thank God for the opportunity to make this medical mission trip.



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# STEWARDSHIP



I have a friend at home who gave me a Bible when I entered the seminary. This wasn't just any Bible. It was the very beautiful Ronald Knox translation of the Bible and it was very expensive. I said to her that this was too expensive a gift and she replied: "She who helps the holy man shares in the holy man's reward." Which is a paraphrase of the word of Jesus in Matthew 10: 41-42:

The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

The way I read this is that those who give to the work of Jesus will share in the reward of the Son of God Himself. Now that's a reward that is worth receiving.

I want to thank all those who have made it possible through their generosity, in time, talent and treasure, to make sure that all the ministries of Jesus that are part of the life of Our Lady of Victory have been supported and made a living reality. Every day I see and hear the sounds of life here at Victory. The noise of children playing, laughing, the sound of vitality and joy. The tears of the mourners, the anguish of those in pain, the concern of family members for the sick and the stray. Prayers raised at the Mass, the grace poured out in the sacraments. The cry of a child at baptism. Parish education programs, athletics, prayer groups and meetings, renewal programs, retreats, outreach to the poor - so much good work, so much faith, so much prayer. School children running in the corridors of the school instead of walking, boys climbing fences instead of playing sports, children on top of the Marian grotto instead of praying before it. Vitality, life, energy, faith, hope, and love. It all happens here at Victory. I love it!

Even having a priest living in the midst of the community, available to celebrate the Mass every day for the glory and worship of God and to make intercession for the needs of our people. A priest that can be present when God's grace and love is especially needed. This is possible because of your generosity.

Prayer, grace, joy, life – love. Signs of the Kingdom of God. Your generosity makes it all possible. Your generosity makes it all happen. And this has been true for over 175 years. For all you do to make Victory a place of faith, a place to encounter Jesus, a place where the Church is a reality, for making Victory the place to be – on behalf of all those who benefit from your generosity, and from the bottom of my heart - I thank you. More to the point, He who sees all and rewards all, thanks you now – and will reward you for your kindness.

fr. Ben

# OUR LADY OF VICTORY STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

## Christmas Giving Tree

**St. Vincent de Paul Society** - St. VDP's mission is to answer Christ's call by providing names of Delhi families in need of assistance year round in addition to the Christmas season. Twenty-one families (65 individuals) received gifts through OLV's giving tree. In 2017-2018 St. VDP received \$12,951 from parishioners through the St. VDP's collections and boxes in Church.

**West-End Communities** - In 2017 299 gifts were donated on behalf of OLV. The majority of the ornaments on the tree were names of children from the West-End. Hats, gloves, blankets and gifts to healthy moms and babies were also included. These children attend various centers including YMCA, Christ Child Day Care, Youthland Day Care, Little Tree House of Knowledge and York Street Kids Ministry.

**Community Land Co-op** - In 2017 \$640 was donated on behalf of OLV through the Christmas giving tree. The Community Land Co-op's mission is to empower families with low and medium incomes to own homes in the West End and neighboring communities. The monetary donations collected assist individuals in paying their utility bills, cover costs of minor repairs, etc.

## Baby Bottle Campaign

Collected for Pregnancy Center West from both the parish, \$2,039 and the school, \$1,041, for a grand total of \$3,080.

## Donations to Food Pantry

Our Food Pantry continues to supply year round food assistance to those in need. At Christmas and Thanksgiving we provided food baskets to about 300 less fortunate families in our neighborhood. At Easter approximately 75 families received food baskets. In addition to food received from the Care Barrel Cupboards, the school, and the religious education children cash donations totaled over \$16,389 to the Food Pantry for the twelve months ended 6/30/18.

## Special Collections

In the 2017-2018 fiscal year we had four special collections at Our Lady of Victory. They were: Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl, Hurricane Relief, Crossroads Pro Life Walkers and Little Sisters of the Poor. The total of these collections was \$7,995.

## Archdiocesan Designated Collections

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati requests all parishes to collect funds for specific designated purposes throughout the year. The appeals this past year included Religious Retirement, Catholic Relief Services, Mission Sunday, Campaign for Human Development, Respect Life, Catholic Inner-City Education Fund, the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and Central & Eastern Europe & Africa as well as other designated collections. Through your generosity, over \$9,670 was contributed for these very worthwhile purposes.

## Parish Festival

The following is the distribution of the Parish Festival net profit for the last two years.

	May 2018 Festival	May 2017 Festival
Parish Athletic Programs	\$36,029	\$29,356
Parish General Fund	<u>54,000</u>	<u>44,100</u>
Net profit	\$90,029	\$73,456

## Our Lady of Victory 2017-2018 Finance Commission members were:

Fr. James Reutter, Pastor; Tom Butler, Chairperson; Katie Davis, Dave Haller, Bryan Kelley, Josh Kneple, Tricia Vonderahe, Steve Kane and Jim Telscher.

**Thank you for your continued generosity to these requests as well as the time and talents of parishioners who give so generously individually or through Pastoral Council, Commissions and Parish organizations.**

**Our Lady of Victory General Fund**  
**Current Year Revenues & Expenses Compared to Budget**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2018**

	2018 Budget			2018 Actual			2018 Favorable (Unfavorable) from Budget		2019 Budget		
	Parish	School Total*	Total	Parish	School Total*	Total			Parish	School Total*	Total
<b>Revenues:</b>											
Sunday & holiday contributions	\$ 784,700		\$ 784,700	\$ 730,213		\$ 730,213	\$ (54,487)	\$ 744,846		\$ 744,846	\$ 744,846
Parish festival	54,000		54,000	44,100		44,100	(9,900)	48,000		48,000	48,000
Interest	12,600		12,600	13,727		13,727	1,244	13,530		13,530	24,173
Bequests & Donations		10,520	10,520		10,637	10,637	18		10,643		10,643
Stipends and other revenues		11,200	11,200		11,218	11,218			14,700		14,700
Tuition (Note 2)	41,040	1,150	42,190	33,233	2,228	35,461	(6,729)	36,440	1,900	38,340	38,340
School registration fee		1,531,440	1,531,440		1,534,579	1,534,579	3,139		1,639,636	1,639,636	1,639,636
State reimbursement		40,349	40,349		41,500	41,500	1,151		43,500	43,500	43,500
After School Program		171,000	171,000		169,648	169,648	(1,352)		169,700	169,700	169,700
Cafeteria Proceeds		61,125	61,125		84,461	84,461	23,336		88,650	88,650	88,650
Funds provided by Ohio for students with special needs.		92,565	92,565		102,715	102,715	10,150		109,890	109,890	109,890
Total revenues	892,340	1,919,349	2,811,689	821,273	2,360,838	3,182,111	403,852	842,816	2,480,739	3,323,555	402,120
<b>Expenses:</b>											
General & Administrative	268,191	1,620,935	1,889,126	289,886	1,949,250	2,239,136	(350,010)	304,484	2,030,904	2,335,388	2,335,388
Ministry & Liturgy	134,027		134,027	149,868		149,868	(15,841)	154,334		154,334	154,334
Religious Programs	132,503	2,050	134,553	127,749	7,641	135,390	(837)	134,360	4,950	139,310	139,310
Facilities	144,955	262,888	407,843	157,544	280,922	438,466	(30,623)	146,140	275,139	421,279	421,279
After School Program		43,602	43,602		53,880	53,880	(10,278)		53,642	53,642	53,642
Food & Supplies		29,400	29,400		28,975	28,975	425		33,881	33,881	33,881
Library and Programs		75,368	75,368		69,944	69,944	5,424		72,590	72,590	72,590
Archdiocesan assessment	97,000		97,000	95,304		95,304	1,696	97,000		97,000	97,000
Total expenses	776,676	2,034,243	2,810,919	820,351	2,390,612	3,210,963	(400,044)	836,318	2,471,106	3,307,424	3,307,424
<b>expenses &amp; transfers (expenses over revenues)</b>	<b>\$ 115,664</b>	<b>\$ (114,894)</b>	<b>\$ 770</b>	<b>\$ 922</b>	<b>\$ (29,774)</b>	<b>\$ (28,852)</b>	<b>\$ (29,622)</b>	<b>\$ 6,498</b>	<b>\$ 9,633</b>	<b>\$ 16,131</b>	

General Note . Our Lady of Victory operates on an accrual basis of accounting with a fiscal year which begins July 1 and ends on June 30.  
 Note 2. School enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year was 411 students.

Budgeted enrollment for 2018-2019 is 433 (Including Preschool) with no tuition increase.

\* School Total includes School, Cafeteria and Peterson

Other Restricted Funds  
Cash Receipts & Disbursements  
For the Years Ended June 30, 2018 & 2017

	2018					2017				
	Capital Expenditure Fund	Legacy Special Projects	Tuition Assistance Fund	School Fund	Total	Capital Expenditure Fund	Legacy Special Projects	Tuition Assistance Fund	School Fund	Total
<b>Cash receipts (Note 1)</b>										
Parishioner contributions	500	14,057	21,242		35,799	25,000	59,315	23,497		107,812
Special ESAP contributions		-	33,164		33,164		-	33,791		33,791
Interest	5,051	-	7,154	3,021	15,226	4,479	-	7,203	3,846	15,528
Transfer fr. General Parish Fund	-	-	-	-	0	102,395	-	-	-	102,395
Bequest	-	-	-	-	0	-	40,391	40,000	-	80,391
One Faith, One Hope, One Love	28,484	-	-	-	28,484	25,767	-	-	-	25,767
<b>Total cash receipts</b>	<b>34,035</b>	<b>14,057</b>	<b>61,560</b>	<b>3,021</b>	<b>112,673</b>	<b>157,641</b>	<b>99,706</b>	<b>104,491</b>	<b>3,846</b>	<b>365,684</b>
<b>Cash disbursements:</b>										
Campus renovation (Note 2)	125,597	-	-	-	125,597	111,604	-	-	-	111,604
Tuition Assistance (Note 3)		-	73,892	-	73,892		-	81,409	-	81,409
Spent on designated items		18,885	-	10,000	28,885	2,286	113,239	-	10,500	126,025
Technology improvements		-	-	13,683	13,683		-	-	5,910	5,910
<b>Total cash disbursements</b>	<b>125,597</b>	<b>18,885</b>	<b>73,892</b>	<b>23,683</b>	<b>242,057</b>	<b>113,890</b>	<b>113,239</b>	<b>81,409</b>	<b>16,410</b>	<b>324,948</b>
Excess of cash receipts over disbursements										
(disbursements over receipts)	(91,562)	(4,828)	(12,332)	(20,662)	(129,384)	43,751	(13,533)	23,082	(12,564)	40,736
Beginning of year	379,411	37,082	430,491	160,053	1,007,037	335,660	50,615	407,409	172,617	966,301
<b>End of year</b>	<b>287,849</b>	<b>32,254</b>	<b>418,159</b>	<b>139,391</b>	<b>877,653</b>	<b>379,411</b>	<b>37,082</b>	<b>430,491</b>	<b>160,053</b>	<b>1,007,037</b>

Note 1. These contributions are restricted and must be used for specific donor purposes.

Note 2. New air conditioning in the church, start the altar renovation, lighting and parking lot improvements, final payment on Legacy Project, deposit on new sign at Neeb Road.

Note 3. Monies from Tuition Assistance Fund supplement monies from the General Fund to cover tuition assistance grants.

In 2017-2018 \$73,892 came from the Tuition Assistance Fund which helped 41 families benefiting 62 children.

In 2016-2017 \$81,409 came from the Tuition Assistance Fund which helped 43 families benefiting 56 children.

# Boy Scout Troop 909

By Kathy Lynn

Some of the members of the Boy Scout Troop 909 spent a few hours on a Sunday night together, learning how to ride horses. On July 29, Peter, Kaleb, Tyler, and Eric went to Winton Woods and mounted some horses. The scouts walked and trotted around the arena. They zigged and zagged through the center cones. The boys even led their horses to turn around and walk backwards. When the evening was over, they had earned their Horsemanship Merit Badge.



The family canoe trip was held on Sunday, August 19. The scouts and their families canoed down the Miami river.

On Tuesday, August 21, 2018, the Boy Scouts held their bi-annual Court of Honor. This ceremony, celebrated every 6 months, recognizes the boys' accomplishments. Three boys earned a new scout rank. Will and Eric earned the Scout rank, and Kaleb earned the Tenderfoot rank. 56 different Merit Badges were earned by the troop in the last 6 months. The boys had the opportunity to earn a few badges, the Railroad Merit Badge and Horsemanship, together. Most of the other badges were earned at their annual summer camp, Camp Friedlander, in June. The Scouts earned badges such as Chess, Swimming, Game Design, Personal Fitness, Kayaking, Canoeing, Shotgun Shooting, Archery, First Aid, Home Repairs, Wood Carving, Communications, Environmental Science, Wilderness Survival, Outdoor Skills, Natural World Studies, Movie Making, Journalism, and Life Skills.



## OLV FALL SPORTS



# *School Update (continued)*

**By Amy Borgman**

We will practice. We will remind students often. And we will acknowledge students when they demonstrate our Victory Values. After all, how many of us would feel good about coming to work every day without acknowledgement: without a paycheck or gratitude for our efforts? People of all ages want to work hard and contribute to a positive community when they feel valued and appreciated.

We were very excited to add another class of preschoolers to Our Lady of Victory this year! 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! We still have a few spaces available if you are interested. Please call and come take a peak!

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.



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.

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 Ben Johnson, Peter Braun, Luke Hafner, Zach Mohs, Grace Broxterman, Elise Kenney, Maddie Martin, Riley Allgeyer, Hailey Menner, Riley Brigger, Gavin Bennet, Rachael Spieser, Maria Sprecker, Olivia Jung, Grace Plagge, Reagan Niederhausen, Henry Heitz, Sam Jones, Anna Horgan, and Kylie Himmler. We look forward to seeing the leadership that you will carry this year!

At Our Lady of Victory, we are proud to have an active chapter of the National Junior Honor Society. Each year, students in grades 6-8 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 September of each year, the newly inducted NJHS elects officers that lead the NJHS. Congratulations to this year's NJHS officers: Anna Schmitt, Sydney Galbraith, Ava Siefke, and Anna Spinney. Students in grades 6 and 7 who meet the high standards of service, leadership, character, citizenship, and scholarship are invited to apply for NJHS. Our induction is in May each year. Thank you to Mrs. DiTullio, our NJHS advisor, and to our faculty council, who enable us to offer this honor and opportunity to our students.

As we look forward to the months ahead, some of our upcoming highlights include our PTO Walk, Grandparents and Special Friends Day, Dad's Halloween Day in the cafeteria, Red Ribbon Week, All Saints Day, Veteran's Day, Ambassador activities, Christmas programs and many more! Please make sure to check back to see what wonderful things Victory students are accomplishing!



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### A LOOK AHEAD AT VICTORY

#### PARISH FEAST DAY FAMILY MASS

Sunday, October 7  
11:00AM

Donut Social to follow  
in the Main Hall

#### PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

Saturday, October 13  
12:00-1:00PM

Meet in front of the library.

#### FALL OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, October 18  
4:30-6:30PM

For prospective students  
and their families.

#### SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

Thursday, November 1  
6:30AM, 8:30AM, &  
7:00PM

Holy Day of Obligation

#### FEAST OF ALL SOULS

Friday, November 2  
6:30AM, 8:30AM, &  
7:00PM

#### LOV SHOPPING NIGHT

Friday, November 9  
7:00 - 10:00PM

**DON'T MISS THESE  
GREAT EVENTS!**

#### SANTA EXPRESS

Friday, November 30  
7:00 - 9:00PM

#### ADVENT COFFEE TALK W/ FR. BEN

Tues., December 4  
9:30AM  
In the CC Meeting Room

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