

# OUR VISION

OUR LADY of VICTORY  
PARISH

PARISH & SCHOOL NEWS

JUNE/JULY 2016



Congratulations,  
Scholarship Winners!

# PARISH FESTIVAL

## What a FANTASTIC weekend!



The rain could not wash our spirits down the drain! The weekend was a huge success despite the stormy weather on Friday. Thank you to everyone who

came out to the festival. We hope you had as good of a time as we did!

### Congratulations to all our Prize Winners!

\$500 Max Hofmeyer  
\$250 Jake Peters  
\$250 Kathy & Jean Bischoff  
\$250 Jill Barlion  
\$250 Mary Lammers  
\$250 Bill Schulter  
\$250 Luz Elena Schemmel  
\$250 Geeslin Family  
\$500 Tom & Rose Freeman  
\$1000 Luz Elena Schemmel  
\$5000 Priscilla Stowe



**And finally...**  
Tuition Credit  
of \$1000  
Mark VanHook



Thank you OLV Community!

So many people contributed to making the Parish Festival an absolute hit, but there are some select people who really went above and beyond their duties.

A special thanks to all you wonderful people:

- **Festival Chairman: Dennis Conroy & Committee**
- All 7th Graders for the pre-fest work and for Monday clean-up
- **Booth Chair & Co-Chairpersons**
- Booth Volunteers
- **All of Our Festival Sponsors**
- Sunday Chicken Dinner Workers
- **Electricians & Builders (made light and rides possible)**
- Bakers for their yummy donations
- **Set-up & Clean-up Crew**
- Anyone working "Behind-the-Scenes" (counters, mailers, photographers, etc.)

We hope you realize your work does not go unnoticed. Your help has been so appreciated and necessary; we truly could not have done any of this without you!







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 comes to a close, we send out 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!

Congratulations to Elise Kenney who won the Yearbook Cover Design Contest. Congratulations to the runners up: Ben Carmosino, Samantha Kolkmeier, Kristin Currin, Anna Lohrer, Traci Christo, and Charlie Richardson.

Please continue to keep our second graders in your prayers. They celebrated their First Communion on May 1. In preparation for this special day, the second graders had a Jesus Day Activity Day.

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. Congratulations to the new NJHS members: Izzy Accurso, Jenna Accurso, Andrew Ammann, Emma Austing, Arianna Beltsos, Jocelyn Bier, Leo Bill, Maggie Braun, Nick Broxterman, Brady Cappel, Carter Carrick, Natalie Crable, Hannah Crowley, Meghan Davitt, Audrey DeGregorio, Hailey Doerflein, Audrey Eary, Sydney Gavin, Cooper Johnson, Bridget Kemper, Jill Laub, Emma Lohrer, Libby Luebbering, Lucy Luebbering, Brennan Martin, Mariah Mevers, Olivia Mohs, Aidan Murphy, Sabrina Schultz, Sam Schwallie, Matthew Smith, Olivia Warren.



Thank you to our PTO Co-Presidents Sara Gonnella and Amy Warren 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!

# A Call to Joy & Love

Jarred Kohn

On the 21<sup>st</sup> of May, seven men were ordained to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. It was a day of great joy for our Archdiocese to see the Lord continue to send men into His vineyard. I knew the men in this class well. Fr. Chris Geiger, who many of you know, embodies joy. And Fr. Sean Wilson entered college seminary the same year I did, so we've been friends over our seven year span. In many ways, watching this ordination made everything **real** for me. I realized next year, God-willing, I will be ordained a deacon and, *two years from now*, a priest.

Making it real. I think this is the biggest issue when it comes to the Vocation crisis in the Church today. Children no longer see the priesthood, religious life, or even, to an extent, sacramental marriage as joy-filled Vocations and often doubt that someone could



truly live in the demands each Vocation puts on them. There's a growing number of people who no longer get married and an increasing number of divorces among those who do. Religious sisters are no longer as visible as they once were. And now we see the

dwindling number of Vocations to the priesthood over the past thirty years begin to hit our archdiocese as many older priest begin to retire.

It is not all bad news. As I mentioned, we had **seven** men ordained to the priesthood, and the number of seminarians studying in our archdiocese is at a thirty-year high. There are a number of women's religious orders that have sprung up and continued to grow as well, emphasizing community life, donning a habit, and putting prayer at the center of their lives. Although our culture has become more secular and turned against Christianity, we should remember St. Paul's words in his *Letter to the Romans* "Where sin abounds, *grace abounds all the more.*"

There are many good things happening in our Archdiocese and in the Catholic Church across the world, and we cannot forget that the solution to the Vocation crisis begins in our own homes, in our own families. I pray daily that the young people at Our Lady of Victory be open to whatever Vocation God is calling them to, whether it be the priesthood, religious life, consecrated single life, or marriage. God gave us each a Vocation before we were even conceived in our mothers' wombs. That Vocation is a *gift* from our heavenly Father. It is in discovering and living our Vocation that we learn to love and be loved as God Loves. Love is what we long for, what gives us joy in this life and in the next. Priesthood and religious life are not dreary necessities, but **opportunities** to give oneself in love and joy.

I would ask all parents, grandparents, and great grandparents to encourage their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren to think and pray about which Vocation God has called them. **Pray for them.** Pray God may protect all children at Victory from being taken from the loving arms of God our Father, and they may discover and follow their Vocation with a generous and courageous heart. **Good priests and good sisters do not spring out of the ground; they spring from the love of a family.** Let that family be your own. □

## May 2016 Crowning

This year's May crowning was a beautiful and great success. Thank you to everyone who came to our Marian Celebration on Thursday, May 19, at the 8:30am Mass!



*Our Lady of Victory  
PRAY FOR US*







Our Faith. Our Family. Our Future.

# RENOVATION CALENDAR

Construction on the church will begin in June and end in early August. Due to the renovations being made and the need for the pews to be removed we will need to make adjustments to our Masses. Beginning in June, we will conduct Mass in church but will be seated on folding chairs. In July and early August, our Masses will be held in the Convocation Center. Please see the highlighted dates below for more information.

**Highlights key renovation dates**

Denotes Mass will be celebrated in Convocation Center

Throughout the renovation,

- Daily Masses will be held in the Chapel
- Funerals will be held at St. Antoninus Church or Mount St. Joseph Mater Dei Chapel

## JUNE

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

- 31 May 31<sup>st</sup> will be an All-School closing Mass
- 3 50% of pews removed, replaced with folding chairs
- 7 Remaining pews removed, organ moved
- 8 Work begins on carpentry, electrical and audio
- 27 Remove sanctuary furniture, old flooring and glue

## JULY

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

- 2 First Mass in the Convocation Center
- 19 Flooring complete and organ will be set in place
- 21 Will begin reinstallation of pews

## AUGUST

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

- 1 Sanctuary furniture moved back into church
- 6 August 6<sup>th</sup> will be the first Mass in our renovated church

# HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

## ELDER HIGH SCHOOL

### FIRST HONORS

Nicholas J. Albers  
Wyatt J. Albers  
Spencer J. Bacon  
Zachary R. Bischoff  
Andrew J. Brown  
Ryan T. Browne  
Andrew P. Broxterman  
Mackenzie T. Burke  
Samuel J. Catania  
Jack J. Dee  
Lucas C. Downey  
John P. Early  
Xavier J. Eilers  
Andrew G. Eubanks  
Jacob T. Galvin  
Brent S. Gavin

Eric M. Groll  
Adam S. Helmers  
Kevin J. Hericks  
Alexander J. Hils  
Clayton A. Hodge  
Frank A. Hofmeyer  
Jacob R. Hofmeyer  
Max J. Hofmeyer  
Connor B. Johnson  
Kyle T. Kehling  
Kyle R. Klingenberg  
Joshua G. Lammers  
Alexander M. Lott  
Jacob D. Luebke  
Michael T. Maloney  
Joseph C. Monahan

Eric J. Moser  
Brady J. Murphy  
Nick R. Niehaus  
Michael P. O'Connor  
Chad P. Ostertag  
Matthew A. Peterson  
Owen C. Plagge  
Clay T. Pragar  
Bradley M. Quatman  
Austin M. Roll  
Tyler J. Sadelfeld  
Michael T. Schenkel  
Ryan N. Schenkel  
Matthew A. Stacklin  
Matthew R. Trotta  
Jacob L. Wuebbolt

### SECOND HONORS

Ryan E. Boehm  
Joseph E. Brockmann  
Steven A. Catania  
Ryan R. Custer  
Matthew S. Jacobs  
Timothy J. Kearns  
Robert C. Luebbering  
Alexander T. Mischell  
Joseph W. Pappas

## MOTHER OF MERCY

### FIRST HONORS

Hannah M. Black  
Kelsey A. Boeing  
Julie A. Deye  
Madison M. Link  
Morgan E. Maloney

### SECOND HONORS

Kate A. Bailey

## OAK HILLS

### HIGH HONORS

Jillian Kallmeyer  
Kristie Sattler

### HONORS

Kayley Jaeger  
Natalie Rowe

## ST. XAVIER

### FIRST HONORS

Adam Arar  
Nicholas Helmers-Wegman  
Alex Weyler  
Mark Weyler  
Bryce Weyler

### SECOND HONORS

Nicholas Bettner  
Grady Garvey  
Charles Harnad, Jr.  
Nicholas Kemper  
Spencer Schaipe

## ST. URSULA ACADEMY

### FIRST HONORS

Margaret Berding  
Mary Berding  
Alexa Carlton  
Amanda Carrick  
Savannah Carrick  
Jennifer Dillon

### SECOND HONORS

Kathleen Doherty  
Anna Engelhardt  
Karly Hofmann  
Anna Kelley  
Madelyn Young

### SECOND HONORS

Kaitlin Carmosino  
Kelli Currin  
Elizabeth Lamping  
Jessica Lutz  
Adriana Knollman  
Molly Martin

## SETON HIGH SCHOOL

### FIRST HONORS

Audrey Acomb  
Emma Acomb  
Kylie Albers  
Nicole Bertke  
Mara Brown  
Shannon Cavanaugh  
Meghan Davis  
Chloe Davitt  
Kathryn Early  
Olivia Faillace  
Kaitlyn Fields  
Taylor Frommeyer  
Julia Gavin  
Samantha Gavin  
Annabelle Gonnella  
Jessica Hayhow  
Erin Klumb

Julia Lanzillotta  
Ashley Luebke  
Audrey Laiveling  
Kristen Lehan  
Elizabeth Mannix  
Patricia McHale  
McKenna Moehring  
Emily Mohs  
Erin Morgan  
Julia Neumeister  
Sara Neumeister  
Renee Niederhausen  
Shannon O'Connor  
Sidney Perry  
Megan Peterson  
Brooke Pohlman  
Veronica Richards

Kayamarie Roll  
Megan Ruffing  
Molly Scherer  
Raleigh Smyth  
Kristen Stacklin  
Bailey Stinson  
Payton Stinson  
Maria Tan  
Olivia Webber  
Emily Wiczorkowski  
Kelsey Willmes  
Katherine Zimmerman

### SECOND HONORS

Abigail Barnette  
Madison Brigger  
Lydia Brigham  
Kelsey Cappel  
Madison Cappel  
McKenzie Custer  
Michelle Deters  
Lauren Duell  
Mackenzie Dugan  
Kelsey Finn  
Elizabeth Groh  
Anne Haley  
Anna Hauer  
Alyssa Held  
Lauren Heideman  
Renee Hofmeyer  
Devon Jim  
Jennifer Kathmann  
Katherine Kernen

Margaret Korte  
Anna Lanzillotta  
Emily Lipps  
Kelly Luebbering  
Elizabeth Moore  
Mya Moser  
Erica Pohlman  
Cassandra Quitter  
Samantha Riegler  
Emma Sander  
Rylee Sander  
Anna Schoster  
Hannah Smith  
Shannon Smyth  
Sarah Telscher  
Kimberly Tope  
Lindsay Wiczorkowski  
Megan Williams  
McKenzie Zimmer





## CUB SCOUTS AWARDS CEREMONY

On the 15th of May, four Cub Scouts received a very special honor. Will Wink was presented the Parvuli Dei Religious Medal, and the Light of Christ Religious Medal was awarded to Johnathan Aull, Jacob Schaiper, and Henry Topp. Each of these scouts, along with the guidance of their parents,

completed special requirements sponsored by the National Catholic Committee on Scouting, authorized by the NCCB, to help them better understand and appreciate the Catholic faith.

Congratulations, gentlemen! We're all so proud. We can't wait to see where the Lord leads you!

### IN LOVING MEMORY

*Lisa Bischoff  
Eileen Peterson*

### NEW PARISHIONERS

*Christopher & Michelle Fisher  
Lee & Jennifer McKenzie  
Mark & Melissa Nienhaus  
Joseph & Maureen Rider*

### MEMORIAL MASS FUND

*Al Hauser  
Robert Frolicher  
Jim Ahlrichs  
Eileen Peterson  
Sam Bauch  
Dianne Young*

### OLV MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

The Memorial Association is another way of remembering family members and friends who have died. One Mass a month for a year is offered for those enrolled. All donations provide seasonal church decorations and furnishings.

During the month of November our OLV Book of Remembrance is placed in the atrium of the church. The book is inscribed with the names of all those enrolled in the OLV Memorial Association since 1983.

### TUITION ASSISTANCE FUND

The Tuition Assistance Fund has been established to help OLV parishioners afford a Catholic education for their families.



### What is the Fortnight for Freedom?

Each year dioceses around the country arrange special events to highlight the importance of defending religious freedom. The Fortnight for Freedom is from **June 21-July 4**. This began in response to the HHS Mandate, which forces coverage of sterilization and abortion-inducing drugs and devices as well as contraception.

"**Witness to Freedom**," will look at the lives of more than 14 women and men of faith, from all over the world, who bear witness to authentic freedom in Christ.

Learn more about how YOU can get involved:

**[www.Fortnight4Freedom.org](http://www.Fortnight4Freedom.org)**



# Christ Renews His Parish *is returning to* Our Lady of VICTORY

*Who:* For all women of OLV parish

*What:* Christ Renews His Parish is a weekend retreat of renewal for women to share their experiences and challenges with faith and find ways to bring Christ into their every day.

*When:* **September 17-18, 2016**

*Where:* Our Lady of Victory Convocation Center,  
Church and Chapel

*Why:* We all need to refocus, re-energize and reconfirm the purpose of our life in Christ from time to time. The retreat is an opportunity to meet amazing women in our parish.

*How:* Simply email [olvrhpwomen@gmail.com](mailto:olvrhpwomen@gmail.com) to reserve your spot for the September retreat.  
If you have any questions call :  
Angela Aull 451-4970  
Debbie Luebbering 312-7610





# TAKE ME OUT TO THE *Reds* GAME

To celebrate the end of a great "season," the Victory School Server Team braved cold and rainy weather to watch the Reds play a winning game. We are so appreciative of all our servers' hard work and dedication throughout the year for the beauty of the Mass. And congratulations to those of you with perfect attendance!

**Thanks to all our servers!**



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



For registration information, please contact the OLV VIRTUS Coordinator in the Parish Office:  
Erica Trabanino at 347-8824.

## 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. We seek to achieve this lofty goal through our child sexual abuse prevention program: Protecting God's Children®. We maximize our efforts by helping churches and religious organizations refine their roles as child-safe environments and empowering caring adults to protect children.

**You can learn more about VIRTUS by visiting:**  
[www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org)

OH BABY!

Have we got some news for you!

One of our own OLV Parish staff finally had her baby!

Matthew, Jennifer,  
& Isabelle Reinkemeyer welcome...



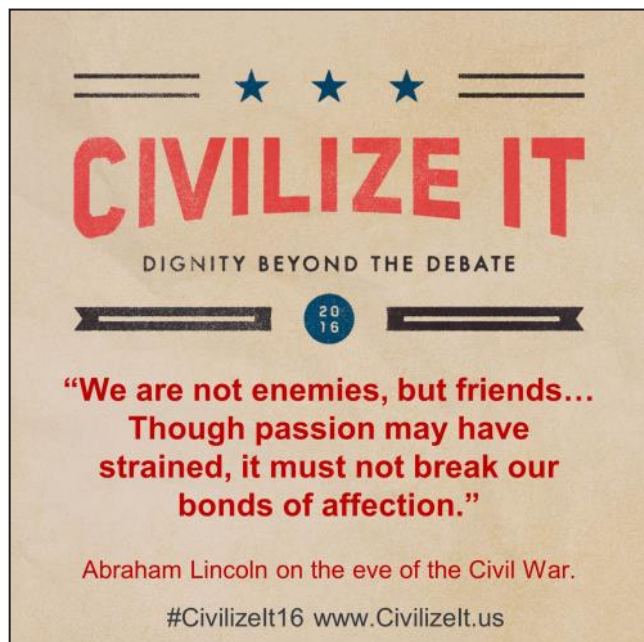
**Isaac Matthew**

Date: May 10, 2016 Time: 4:30pm  
Weight: 8lbs/15oz

# »» CIVILIZE IT »» CIVILIZE IT »» CIVILIZE IT »»

Colleen Gerke, *Family Respect for Life Director*

We've all experienced it. A Facebook post, a family dinner, a water cooler conversation that suddenly turns political with opposing viewpoints. You might get angry. You may go silent. *Civilize It* is about making room in your heart and speaking peacefully with those with whom you disagree. Imagine what would happen if aggressiveness were transformed into openness and confrontations were turned into thoughtful conversations.



*Civilize It* is an initiative to promote political conversations that go deeper than merely choosing sides. We are called to **listen** to someone else whose views may not be our own, and then **ask** clarifying questions, so we not only know *what* another person believes, but *why*. In this quest to exchange information, there is also a challenge for all the faithful: we have to know what the Church teaches and apply it to the political tensions of our time, so that they too know *what* we believe and *why*; where we stand by sharing our faith.

*Civilize It* began as an idea in the Family and Respect Life Office after the Presidential Election of 2012; we saw a need for more dignity in conversations around elections. Catholic Social Action Offices were brought into the planning because of our previous work

together. As our planning progressed, the New Evangelization and Communications became part of the planning. Now, we're working with an outside expert on our messaging and image so we can reach more people, especially young adults and those whose faith doesn't necessarily include weekly Mass attendance.

Everyone can get involved. First, **join** the commitment to keep political conversations respectful by signing up: <http://www.civilizeit.us/>. Second, **read** the resources on the site and invite friends and family to join the movement. Third, **post** it on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest or other Social Media outlets; help spread the word! **Ask** us for “swag,” such as magnets to put on your car, yard signs and t-shirts! You can email Sean Ater at [sater@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:sater@catholiccincinnati.org) to request supplies or contact Tony Stieritz in the Catholic Social Action Office. And finally, **challenge** yourself to **learn** why the Church believes what it believes and how that might impact your vote in 2016. Great resources can be found at <http://uscbb.org>, <http://www.ohiocathconf.org/> and <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org>.

In this Year of Mercy, Pope Francis has challenged us to be “people of mercy.” This requires us to engage in relationships that share God's care, kindness, and understanding. In the political realm this requires *listening* and a *desire to understand* those who may think differently than we do. We do not abandon our beliefs, but maintain our integrity as Catholics and even strengthen it. *Civilize It* is a non-partisan movement and a call for all of us to help change the tone, follow our faith, and quiet the quarrels in our day-to-day lives. □





# BEAUTIFUL LOCKS FOR *Beautiful Souls*



Rebecca Sontag

Over 400 Seton students, including over a dozen OLV alumni and even some of their younger siblings, filled the Seton gym on May 16th to donate their hair to Pantene Beautiful Lengths (PBL). Pantene Beautiful Lengths, partnered with the American Cancer Society, collects these freshly cut ponytails to make and distribute, free of charge, real-hair wigs to cancer patients in need.



Almost every one of us has been touched by cancer in some way, either directly or indirectly, and the same holds true for the generous students at Seton. While the particulars motivating the individual donations may vary, the core reason is the same. They want to help. And help they did!

Hundreds of numbered folding chairs all lined-up were filled with young women in green preparing for untaneous hair-  
bers, past Seton friends did the cutting emotional and love-  
nytails were placed in lected to be sent to



an unparalleled sim-cutting. Family mem-  
grads, teachers, and in what was truly an filled event. The po-  
plastic bags and col-PBL.

This has been an tri-  
ton since 2007 when

Samoya learned of the program on "The Today Show" in the summer of 2006 and brought the idea to the school looking for students to join her in her cause. The event has only grown since then with many participants donating their hair multiple times.

annual event at Se-  
Maribeth Brown

OLV Alum and Seton Senior, Taylor Frommeyer, whose mom has been cancer-free for four years explains, "I want to donate my hair not only for my mom, but for the



people who weren't as fortunate as my family." She has now donated twice. "During her treatment she wore a beautiful wig that truly helped her confidence and she loved it. If people knew first-hand how important a wig is to a woman, then they would want to donate their hair as well." □

For more information regarding the Pantene Beautiful Lengths program, how to donate, or how to request a wig, please visit:

**[www.pantene.com](http://www.pantene.com)**

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*Our Lady of Victory Parish is a part of the Roman Catholic Church, which we believe is the institutional continuation of the church founded by our Lord Jesus Christ when he sent out his apostles after his resurrection with these instructions:*

*"Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to carry out all that I have commanded of you, and know that I am with you always, until the end of the world." By the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist, members of the church are promised eternal life and are equipped to serve God and their neighbor, according to the gifts and talents which each of them have received. In this way, we worship God in Spirit and Truth and welcome his Kingdom into our hearts and into the world.*

**Masses:**

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:15 a.m.

Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Mondays: 7:30 p.m. & Saturdays: 3:30 p.m.

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Erica Trabanino, Editor

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