

OLV/OLS Youth Ministry Schedule 2018-19

Family Mass Every Sunday: 9:15

Grade 7/8 **AM** Session -Sundays 10:30 – 11:45 OR Grade 7/8 **PM** Session- Sundays 6:30 - 7:45

Parish/Family and Youth Events/Service Opportunities/ Prayer Opportunities

September

- 16 Catechetical Sunday 9:15 Mass & Gr. 7-10 Parent Meetings in Parish Center
Grade 7/8 AM @10:30 – 11:30 / Grade 7/8 PM @ 6:00 - 7:00
- 22 (Sat.) Eucharistic Congress Family Event: Shrine of North American Martyrs, Auriesville 9AM - 3PM.
- 23 No Sessions: Attend Eucharistic Congress
- 29 (Sat.) K of C Chicken BBQ Service Opportunity/ Father Patterson's Birthday!
- 30 Gr. 7/8 AM, Gr.7/8PM, Gr. 9 & Gr.10 Mandatory Safe Environment Session: *Mental Health Awareness @ 6:30 - 8PM in Parish Center* (No AM session) Parents/Guardians are welcome.

October

- 7 No sessions Happy Columbus Day!
- 14 **Hosts for Haiti-Free Will Family Breakfast (No 7-8 AM or PM Sessions)**
Gr. 7-10 Service Opportunity
- 21 Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: *Chosen Lesson 16: Vocation of Marriage*
Gr. 7-10 Safe Environment Make-up Session @ 12 - 1:30 PM in Parish Center
- 27 Sat. **K of C Spaghetti Dinner Service Opportunity**
- 28 **Gr.7-8 AM & PM Middle School Diocese Youth Rally: 12:00- 6:00 PM @ St. Clement's Church, Saratoga Springs with Closing Mass for youth & families at 5 pm. Please have your child meet at OLV Parking Lot by 10:45am. Bus will leave @ 11am. We will attend Rally from 12pm – 6pm and return to OLV approximately 7pm for parent pick up.**

November National Vocation Awareness Week 4-11

- 1 (Thurs.) **All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)**
- 4 Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: *Chosen Lesson 17: Holy Orders and Vocational Discernment*
- 11 **Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: Service Sunday Thanksgiving Baskets and Seminarian cards**
- 18 Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: *Chosen Lesson 10: Reconciliation Prep**
- 25 **No Session: Thanksgiving Weekend**

December

- 2 (Advent) Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: *SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION with Father Patterson**
- 8 (Sat.) **Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)**
Joseph House Winter Walk Service Opportunity for Youth and Families
- 9 Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM *Chosen Lesson 19: Who is Mary?*
Breakfast with Santa Service Opportunity
- 16 Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM *The Birth of Christ: The Nativity Story**
- 23, 30 **No Sessions Merry Christmas & Happy New Year**

January

- 1 Tues.** **Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)**
6 Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: Chosen Lesson 15: Why do I have to go to Mass?
13 Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: Chosen Lesson 18: Getting to Know God through Prayer
20 **No sessions Martin Luther King Day**
26 Sat. **K of C Spaghetti Dinner Service Opportunity**
27 Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: Chosen Lesson 20: The Beatitudes as a Path to True Happiness

February

- 2/3** **Gr. 9 & Gr. 10 Service: "Souper Bowl of Caring" Collection @ all Masses (no sessions)**
10 Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: Chosen Lesson 21: Building Virtue- Your Spiritual Workout
17, 24 **No Sessions: Winter Recess**
17 **Eucharistic Adoration Prayer Opportunity 7-8 pm OLV Church**

March

- 3** Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: Chosen Lesson 22: "Why wait?" God's Plan for Love and Sex
6 (Wed) **Ash Wednesday: Mass Opportunities @8:30 am, 12:15 or 7pm at OLV**
10 Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: Chosen Lesson 23: Saying "Yes to the Mission of Christ and His Church"
17 **No Sessions: Happy St. Patrick's Day**
24 Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: Chosen Lesson 24: "Where do I go from here?"
31(Final Session) Gr. 7/8 AM & Gr.7/8 PM: The Death of Christ: The Passion Story*

April

- 7** **No Sessions: Attend Chrism Mass on 4/11**
11 (Thurs) **Chrism_Mass 7PM @ the CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION in Albany**
14 **Palm Sunday- No Sessions: Attend Holy Thursday Eucharistic Adoration**
18 **HOLY THURSDAY: 6pm Liturgy /Eucharistic Adoration / Parish Potluck Dinner Service**
19 **GOOD FRIDAY: 7pm Liturgy of the Passion & Death of our Lord**
20 **HOLY SATURDAY: 8pm Vigil**
21 **EASTER SUNDAY: Regular Sunday Mass Schedule- No Sessions**

OLV-OLS Grades 7-10+ Prayer & Service

Along with faith learning sessions, young people in Grades 7 -10+ are expected to complete **prayer & service** experiences within our parish, community and world as part of the preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation and their role as missionary disciples.

- A reflection sheet is to be completed after each service project and handed in to your Catechist
- Email/text notifications to sign-up for service opportunities will be sent before all events.
- Service Projects and Reflection sheets will be updated and available at www.olv-troy.org (Faith Formation tab)

Grade7&8

Young people in Grades 7 & 8 are encouraged to complete three (3) service/prayer experiences per year with at least one (1) service project per year offered by or in OLV- OLS Parish.

Grade 9 &10

Young people in Grades 9 & 10 are encourage to complete five (5) service/prayer experiences per year with at least three (3) per year in OLV - OLS Parish.

Prayer for the Start of a New Year

O God, we long to know you and to love you, but the busyness of life often gets in the way. Help us to recognize the ordinary, daily ways that our family can learn about you and grow closer to you. We know that you are with us, leading us and guiding us on our way. Amen.

