

Our Lady of Victories Church

(serving Harrington Park, River Vale and the Pascack/Northern Valley)

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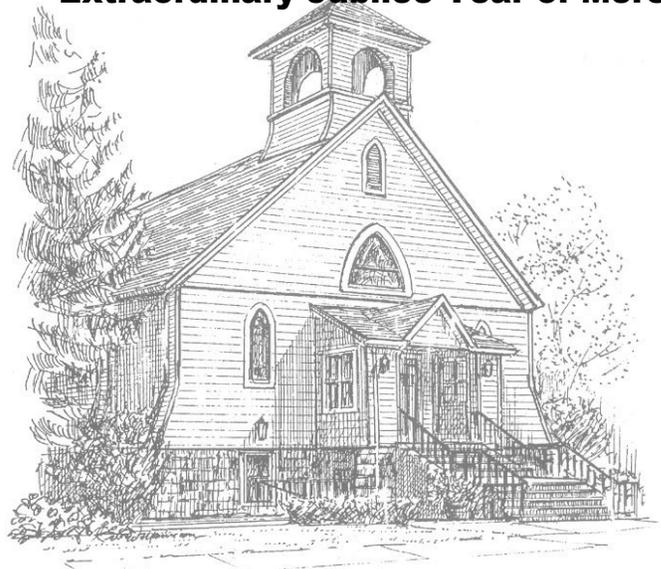
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Sunday, September 4, 2016 A.D.

Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy



WELCOME

To the Parish Family of
OUR LADY OF VICTORIES
(THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH THE BIG HEART)

COME WORSHIP WITH US

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm, 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 8:15am (Latin)

9:30am, 10:45am, 12:00pm,

1:00pm (Spanish)

6:00pm & 7:00pm

Weekdays: M-Sat 8:00a.m. & 12:00noon

SPECIAL MASSES OR DEVOTIONS:

First Friday: 7:30pm, Mass of Sacred Heart & Devotions

First Saturday: 8:00am, Mass of Immaculate Heart of Mary

First Saturday: 12:00pm Mass for Souls in Purgatory

Sundays: at 3:00pm Group Rosary

Novenas prayed after 8:00 a.m. Mass:

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday

St. Jude and St. Anthony: Wednesday

Infant of Prague: 25th of the month

Rosary: Recited M - Sat after 8:00am & 12Noon Mass.

Tuesday-Novena Prayer and Adoration: 2:00-3:00pm

Thursday-Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction: 7:00pm

Friday-Exposition & Adoration: 12:30PM-3:00pm

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/CONFESSION:

Monday - Friday 7:30am - 7:50am. First Friday at 7:00pm

Saturday at 11:00a.m.-Noon; 3:00pm - 3:25pm

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

To register for Baptismal preparation and Baptism, call the rectory.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

Call the Religious Ed Office for requirements/class schedule.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Please call the rectory for an appointment.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/LAST RITES:

Sick calls at any time in emergency.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS AND VOCATIONS:

Anyone contemplating a vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life should contact the Vocations Office at 973.497.4365.



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PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please **PRAY** in the name of **JESUS**, the Healer, that the **SICK** of **OLV PARISH** may be restored to health and all those who **ASSIST** and **CARE** for the sick will be given the **STRENGTH** to continue **GOD'S GOOD WILL**: Br. Pius, Joseph Accardi, Maria Aleman, William Biasi, Michael Conmy, Philip Dunn, Sr. Mary Cordelia Eckert RSM, Kamal Faris, Kathy Freeburn, Thomas Haring, Marianne Harkins, Peter Kellar, Arnold Kemner, Jamie & Kerrie Lein, Joseph LoVecchio, Teresa Meierdierks, Kathleen Musante, Canice Prince, Dan Ragusa, Mary Rinner, Danny Rizzi, Ginny Romeo, Suzanne Rothschild, Wendy Ruggiero, Cookie & George Rush, Cynthia Simonelli, Mildred Speck, Kathryn Turrell, Therese Vaglio, Jim Walsh, J.P. Warg, Darien Wesler, Al Wiese, Marian Zanetti, Elaine Zito.

SPIRITUAL EXCERPT

Do You Wish to Follow Christ?

"If you really wish to follow Christ, if you want your love for Him to grow and last, then you must be faithful to prayer. It is the key to the vitality of your life i.e. Christ. Without prayer, your faith and love will die. If you are constant in daily prayer and in the Sunday celebration of Mass, your love for Jesus will increase. And your heart will know deep joy and peace, such as the world could never give."

Pope John Paul II Speech to Youth, New Orleans 1987

THE SABBATH

In past times, Sabbath rest meant that overworked folks could simply have a day off. The idea extends beyond us human beings, to the work animals and the earth itself. Today, the needs of the average family may be different. But we must take time to just be still, or we can drive ourselves to illness.

Never has family time been more important. It is scandalous how little time many parents actually spend with their children in conversation. Many experts believe that the best thing we can do for our families is simply to eat together. Thus, bringing back the Sunday family dinner is both a great way to honor the Sabbath and to improve our family life. Many modern Catholic families seem comfortable with missing Mass once in a while. It is challenging when soccer matches, hockey practice or school fund-raising activities are scheduled on Sundays.

Parents need to do what they tell their children to do - stand up to peer pressure and just say no. They need to explain the value of gathering with the faith community to their children. Assembling as the Body of Christ transforms each of us individuals into something bigger, something more. It takes our focus from the daily activities to the higher gifts of faith, hope and love.

In praying with one another we give ourselves over to the Holy Spirit. And, of course, it is where we are nourished for our spiritual health. No one can tell a family when or how this Sabbath rest will happen for them. Each family needs to look at their own schedule and then evaluate what changes can be made. Everything goes back to the family, the domestic church. It is where we are schooled in all things of value.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

Reader is asked to proclaim the Word of God at Mass once or twice a week (14 years old or older).

Eucharistic Minister assists with giving out Communion at Mass (18 years old or older).

Altar Server assists at the Mass and works closely with the priest (4th grade thru high school).

Choir Member meets one evening during the week to practice and sings at the 9:30 Mass as well as at our special Liturgical functions (all ages are welcome).

Usher greets and assists our parishioners as they enter church. They prepare the collection and hand-out our bulletins. (12 years old and up).

CCD Registration

Registration forms for Religious Ed were sent out. It is important that you return your registration forms ASAP so we can order supplies for the Fall.

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

Our Lord told St. Margaret Mary Alacoque that individuals should go to confession **at a minimum once a month**. This sacrament is offered EVERY Saturday from 11:00AM to Noon and 3:00-3:20PM, every morning at 7:30AM, as well as every First Friday at 7:00PM. A Priest is also available to hear Confessions daily by appointment.

Spiritual Priorities

by Fr. Alexander Men

Don't we all know how confused everyday matters endlessly distract us and fill our thoughts and emotions. It seems like a waste of our precious time that we allow these same matters and activities, silly trifles that we will not even remember the day after tomorrow, to fill the time of our short lives, which, you would think that we would treasure above all else. All this cuts us off from Our Lord, shutting us off from Heaven and choking off prayer like smoke from a funnel rising and obscuring the light from the sun. And what is smoke? It is made up of tiny black particles. In just the same way, our sins and restlessness rise and obscure everything like smoke - so that our life ceases to be Christian, and becomes vain and pointless. Only a search for the Lord, a longing to touch Christ the healer, can give us victory. Now is the time to pray and make sacrifices. A small abstinence from food is a tiny, microscopic offering to God, and yet it is of great value. But greater still is to offer the Lord a prayer for each other not for ourselves, not for our own health, salvation, or well-being, but for our sisters and brothers, for those who are dear to our hearts; offer the Lord a prayer for them today, as the Gospel teaches us. Pray for them, that their way may be blessed, that the Lord may keep them and come to meet them - then all of us will ascend toward the Lord, as if holding on to that prayer. This is the main thing; the rest will follow - but this is essential to our lives. Then Jesus, seeing our faith, will say to all those for whom we have been praying, and to us, for whom they have been praying: "My child, awake from your sleep and your sickness, from your palsy, your spiritual paralysis; arise, your sins are forgiven you."

ROOTED

As Catholics, we are to be rooted within a parish community, where we are obligated to come to be fed on God's Word in Scripture and on Christ's Body and Blood in the Eucharist at least once a week. To join our Parish, stop by the Rectory any weekday and meet Maria, the parish secretary, and register as a member of Our Lady of Victories Family.

Mary and the Church

The parallel between Mary and the Church overcomes the two primary difficulties converts are likely to have with the doctrine of Mary as Mediatrix of all graces; it explains how all grace can come through Mary and how her position as Mediatrix strengthens rather than weakens our relationship with Christ. The Church Fathers have repeatedly affirmed that there is no salvation outside the Church, that "all salvation comes from Christ the Head through the Church which is His body".

Catechism of the Catholic Church 846

CLOTHING BINS

September is one of the busiest months of the year as students return to school and most adults resume a normal working schedule after summer vacation. Through the turbulence of your many demands, would you be willing to take some time to gather your unwanted clothing and shoes to help Catholic Charities? Drop them in the Catholic Charities bins located on the Church grounds. In addition to all forms of used clothing we also welcome small appliances, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals and books (no reference books).

Upcoming OLV Parish Events

Sep 6 -Tue—Moms, Pops and Tots 9:30-11:30AM
Sep 6 -Tue – Marian Novena Prayer 2:00-3:00PM
Sep 7 - Wed—OLV Needlers 6:30PM
Sep 9 -Fri– Adoration from 12:30PM-3:00PM
Sep 10 - Sat—Confessions 11:00-12:00Noon & 3:00-3:25PM
Sep 10 -Sat—AA basement of Church 6:30-8:30PM
Sep 11—Sun—Holy Name Society 9:30 Mass and Mtg.
Sep 13 - Tue—Bereavement Group 6:30PM
Sep 13—Tue—Social Concerns Mtg. 7:00PM
Sep 15—Thu—Rosary Society 12:00 Mass, Rosary and Mtg.
Sep 20 - Tue -Catholic Daughters of the Americas Mtg. 7:00PM
Sep 25 - Sun—Parish Picnic 1:30-5:30PM
Oct 16 - Sun -Catholic Daughters Brunch—Madeleine's Petit Paris

PRAY for THOSE in the MILITARY

Lieutenant Julia H. Cheringal, US Navy;
Lieutenant Ben Clemente, US Army;
Ensign Jon Clemente, US Navy;
1st Lieutenant Ryan Colomeo, U.S. Marine Corps;
Major Michael Franson, US Army;
Sergeant First Class Charles Greene, US Army;
Lieutenant Tara Harris, US Air Force;
Lieutenant Joseph Jaeger, US Navy;
Lieutenant Andrew Jaeger, US Navy;
Chief Master Sergeant Shawn Llewellyn, US Air Force;
Captain Shawn Linn, US Army;
Colonel John McLaughlin, US Army;
Lieutenant John G. Miele, US Army.

PRAYER FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

O Prince of peace, we humbly ask your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity and devotion, the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Be their rock, their shield, and their stronghold and let them draw their strength from you. For you are God, for ever and ever.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

If you are a woman over the age of 18 and looking for a ministry at Our Lady of Victories that will fulfill your desire to become more active within the church community, CDA is for you. We invite you to attend our next meeting on Tuesday, September 20, at 7:00PM, in the lower church for coffee and cake. At this meeting we will talk about some of the many worthwhile CDA projects in local communities and throughout the nation, e.g. scholarships - Gr. 8 through college, guest speakers, fundraising, unwed mothers, homelessness, and morality in the media. If you would like to attend the meeting or become a member, contact Renee Tringali@gmail.com or 913-2580.

NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED

Stop in and visit Jesus in the Tabernacle. You can do it here at OLV Parish. Our Church is open 7am-4:30pm (M-F).

Volunteers Needed—Life Source Hospice

Life Source Hospice is seeking volunteers to be part of our elderly patients' end-of-life care. Volunteers provide patients throughout Bergen County with companionship by sitting, listening and praying with them. Volunteers determine their own schedules and can visit on evenings and weekends. Volunteers receive ongoing hospice training and support by experienced hospice professionals. For info', contact Life Source Hospice 201-967-4313 or kiplifesourcehospice@yahoo.com.

Moms, Tots & Pops

OLV has a playgroup for infants and children ages 1-5. The group meets Tuesdays from 9:30AM to 11:30AM in the lower church.

SUMMER ENVELOPES

We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail or deliver their weekly envelopes to the parish office while you are out of town on vacation this summer. As many of you understand, our parish expenses and obligations do not take a vacation when you do, so it is very helpful to be able to rely on your continued support even when you cannot personally attend Mass here at OLV.

EUCCHARISTIC QUESTIONS

May I receive more than once a day? Yes; the Catechism #1388 says we should receive Communion at every Mass we participate in; the question is: why are you at more than one Mass a day? If there's a valid reason for attending Mass again: a funeral, wedding, ordination, vigil Mass, or other special event, you should receive again on the same day.

May I receive 'communion' in non-Catholic Churches? May non-Catholics receive our Eucharist? No; receiving Communion says we are one body – and that is, sadly, not yet true.

Is there still an 'Easter Duty'? Yes. Catechism #1389 says we must receive at least once a year, during the Easter Season, after celebrating Reconciliation, if need be!

Must I receive the Precious Blood? No. Catechism #1390 says receiving both forms of bread and wine is a more complete sign of the Eucharistic Banquet; however, we receive the entire Christ under either form. It is the sign-value of the Sacred Meal that is greater under both forms.

May divorced Catholics receive Communion? Yes, IF they are not invalidly remarried or guilty of serious sin. In fact, the divorced need Eucharist grace to meet the challenges of their situation.

What is a 'valid' marriage? One freely, honestly entered into by those who know themselves well. If both parties are Catholic, a Catholic priest or deacon must officiate; if only one is Catholic, it may take place before a Catholic priest or deacon – or with EXPLICIT permission, after all the requirements of the Catholic Church are met, by a minister, rabbi or justice of the peace. The marriage of two non-Catholics is always considered valid. Every valid marriage must be formally annulled by a Catholic Marriage Tribunal; we cannot simply disregard valid marriages. A marriage entered into without these requirements is invalid, and needs a simple declaration of nullity. A subsequent marriage that takes place without the necessary annulment or declaration of nullity is a serious offense; any Catholic involved in these marriages is banned from Holy Communion.

Why is Church policy on divorced, invalidly remarried Catholics so harsh? 1] God's gift of marriage is a major part of life, not of human origin, and must be respected as such. 2] Those who publicly violate Church law yet receive Communion give a false sign of unity. 3] Many people are no longer surprised when invalidly married Catholics receive Communion, so the Church must lovingly reaffirm this ban – so as to protect the sanctity of Marriage, Family and Christian Morality, which are all negatively affected by an 'anything goes' mentality. However, we may NEVER judge anyone's culpability or worthiness; when the Church denies Communion to those who blatantly disregard this ban, it does this ONLY for the gravest reasons—after attempts are made to explain/correct the situation. The intent is not to be harsh or cruel, but to show this is a very serious matter! In pastoral love and concern, the Church exhorts anyone in a questionably marital situation to take action to clarify and/or rectify their marriage!

HUMAN RACE DOOMED TO STUPIDITY

Actual label instructions on consumer goods which gives proof that we humans are doomed through stupidity:

- On a Sears Hairdryer: "Do not use while sleeping". (Duh!!!)
- On a bag of Fritos: "You could be a winner! No purchase necessary. Details inside". (Obviously the shoplifter special)
- On a bar of Dial soap: "Directions: use like regular soap." (Which would be?)
- On some Swanson frozen dinners: "Serving suggested: Defrost." (But it's *just* a suggestion)
- On the packing for a Rowenta Iron: "Do not iron clothes on body".
- On Nytol Sleep Aid: "Warning: May cause drowsiness". (One would hope)
- On most brands of Christmas lights: "For indoor or outdoor use only." (As opposed to what?)
- On Sainsbury's peanuts: "Warning: Contains nuts." (News Flash)
- On an American Airlines packet of nuts: "Instructions: Open packet, eat nuts."
- On a child's Superman costume: "Wearing of this garment does not enable you to fly". (Really)
- On Tesco's Tiramisu dessert (printed on the bottom of box): "Do not turn upside down." (Ooops - Too Late)
- On Marks & Spencer Bread Pudding: "Product will be hot after heating."
- On Boot's Children's Cough Medicine: Do not drive a car or operate heavy machinery after taking this medication".
- On a Japanese food processor: "Not to be used for the other use". ????

THE LOVE OF GOD

No matter how long it has been, the Love of God knows no time. We celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday at 11:00 A.M. until Noon and from 3PM – 3:20PM. Monday-Saturday at 7:25AM – 7:45AM.

QUESTION

What are the seven deadly sins? They are:

- Pride** - is the excessive conceit of one's own ability.
- Covetousness** - is an excessive desire for worldly things.
- Lust** - is the desire for the sinful pleasures forbidden by the 6th commandment (i.e.) inappropriate sexual desire.
- Anger** -excessive emotion of hatred against any person or a desire for revenge.
- Gluttony** - excessive desire for food or drink.
- Envy** - is the feeling of sorrow at others good fortune, or joy at evil that befalls another individual.
- Sloth** - is laziness of mind or body.

These sins are the sources of other sins or are the direct cause of other sin.

How to Report Abuse

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child/Youth Protection at 201-407-3256.

The Infinite Value of the Eucharist from the Catechism of the Catholic Church

The Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life." "The other Sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ Himself, our Pasch."

Mass Intentions

- Monday, September 5–St. Teresa of Calcutta**
8:00 Ann LaTronica
No 12:00 Mass today—Labor Day
- Tuesday, September 6–Bl. Bertrand of Garrigues, France-Priest**
8:00 Mary Moeser R/b the Bolton Family
12:00 Rev. Henry Goodwin, O.Carm. R/b the Zwerle Family
- Wednesday, September 7–St. Regina of Alise, France-Virgin-Martyr**
8:00 Kamryn De Graffenraidt R/b Stephen and Robin Hartman
12:00 Michael Giotta R/b the Giotta Family
- Thursday, September 8 – The Birth of Mary**
8:00 Rev. Zachary H. Monet, O.Carm. R/b Pat Consoli
12:00 Frances Duggan R/b Mike and Maria Hellrigel
- Friday, September 9–St. Peter Claver of Catalonia, Spain-Priest**
8:00 Hugh Degnen R/b Jon and Jen Fischer
12:00 Chris and Mary Schwindel R/b Joan Gaffney
- Saturday, September 10 –St. Nicholas of Tolentine**
8:00 James Gourley R/b the Bloomer Family
12:00 In Thanksgiving-Wedding Anniversary R/b Joe and Johanna Healy
4:00 Mary L. O'Brien R/b Richard and Mary C. O'Brien
5:00 Sr. M. Amadeus and Sr. M. Modesta R/b Josephine J. Fogarino and Marie Michaels
- Sunday, September 11 - St. Adelphus-Bishop of Metz, Germany**
7:30 Peter Bielfeld R/b the Barrett Family
8:15 Souls in Purgatory R/b Howard and Eleanor Walsh
9:30 Living and deceased members of Holy Name Society
10:45 Brian McElroy Sr. R/b Patti McElroy
12:00 Intentions of Jamie and Kerri Lein R/b Anthony and Marietta Macaluso
1:00 Ezequiel Ramirez Geniz-1st Anniversary R/b Ramirez Geniz Family
6:00 People of the Parish
7:00 Alcibiades Rodriguez R/b Ken and Barbara Funsch

Sanctuary Memorials

- The Church Sanctuary Lamp** burns this week in loving memory of Irene Ricciardi, r/b Bruce Michael Ricciardi.
- The Blessed Virgin Mary Votive Lamp** burns this week for the repose of the soul of Marie Dolan, r/b the Hall family.
- The St. Joseph Votive Lamp** burns this week for the souls in Purgatory.
- The Pope John Paul II Votive Lamp** burns for the intentions of the unemployed.

Sanctuary Offerings

Mass intentions for the living and the deceased are available at Our Lady of Victories Church and Convent. The Altar Flowers, Bread and Wine, the Bl. Virgin Mary Votive Lamp, and St. Joseph Votive Lamp, the Sanctuary Lamp in the Church and in the Convent can be dedicated on a weekly basis. Altar Flower offering is \$25. Offering for Sanctuary Lamp is \$15, Bl. Virgin Mary Lamp is \$10 and the St. Joseph Votive Lamp is \$10. The Altar Wine and Hosts offering is \$25. **The offering for ALL MASSES throughout the Archdiocese is \$10.**

LITTLE JOHNNY

Little Johnny watched, fascinated, as his mother smoothed cold cream on her face. "Why do you do that, mommy?" he asked. "To make myself beautiful," said his mother, who then began removing the cream with a tissue. "What's the matter?" asked Little Johnny. "Giving up?"

Kidz Korner Answers

- 1.Genesis. 2. Matthew. 3. Exodus. 4. Luke. 5. The Apocalypse.

September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

The Stranger

A few months before I was born, my Dad met a stranger who was new to our small Tennessee town. From the beginning, Dad was fascinated with this enchanting newcomer and soon invited him to live with our family. The stranger was quickly accepted and was around to welcome me into the world a few months later.

As I grew up, I never questioned his place in my family. In my young mind, he had a special niche. My parents were complementary instructors: Mom taught me the word of God, and Dad taught me to obey it. But the stranger, he was our storyteller. He would keep us spellbound for hours on end with adventures, mysteries and comedies.

If I wanted to know anything about politics, history or science, he always knew the answers about the past, understood the present and even seemed able to predict the future! He took my family to the first major league ball game. He made me laugh, and he made me cry. The stranger never stopped talking, but Dad didn't seem to mind.

Sometimes, Mom would get up quietly while the rest of us were shushing each other to listen to what he had to say, and she would go to her room and read her books (I wonder now if she ever prayed for the stranger to leave.) Dad ruled our household with certain moral convictions, but the stranger never felt obligated to honor them. Profanity, for example, was not allowed in our home... not from us, our friends or any visitors. Our longtime visitor, however, got away with four-letter words that burned my ears and made my Dad squirm and my mother blush.

My Dad was a teetotaler who didn't permit alcohol in the home, not even for cooking. But the stranger encouraged us to try it on a regular basis. He made cigarettes look cool, cigars manly and pipes distinguished. He talked freely (much too freely!) about sex. His comments were sometimes blatant, sometimes suggestive, and generally embarrassing.

I now know that my early concepts about relationships were influenced strongly by the stranger. Time after time, he opposed the values of my parents, yet he was seldom rebuked... and NEVER asked to leave. More than fifty years have passed since the stranger moved in with our family. He has blended right in and is not nearly as fascinating as he was at first. Still, if you were to walk into my parent's den today, you would still find him sitting over in his corner, waiting for someone to listen to him talk and watch him draw his pictures. His name....? We just call him, "TV."

CANCER

Because cancer is one of the leading causes of death today, here are some common signs and symptoms that may be caused by undetected cancer in its early stages. Although all of these warning signs can have other causes, you should see your physician immediately if you notice any of them. The doctor can examine you and give you the best chance for a cure.

- A scab, sore, or ulcer that does not heal within 3 weeks.
- A skin blemish or mole that enlarges, bleeds, or itches.
- A lump or swelling beneath the skin.
- Recurrent indigestion or difficulty swallowing.
- Hoarseness that lasts for more than a week.
- A persistent cough or coughing up blood.
- Any change in bowel or bladder habits.
- Blood in the stool or urine.

CONVALIDATION

Were you married civilly by a mayor or justice of the peace and would now like to be married in the Catholic Church? See Fr. Bryan for more details and to see if your marriage can be regularized with the Church.

The task ahead of us is never as great as the Power behind us.

TEACHER APPLICANT

After being interviewed by the school administration, the eager teaching prospect said: "Let me see if I've got this right. You want me to go into that room with all those kids, and fill their every waking moment with a love for learning, and I'm supposed to instill a sense of pride in their ethnicity, modify their disruptive behavior, observe them for signs of abuse and even censor their T-shirt messages and dress habits.

You want me to wage a war on drugs and sexually transmitted diseases, check their backpacks for weapons of mass destruction, and raise their self esteem. You want me to teach them patriotism, good citizenship, sportsmanship, fair play, how to register to vote, how to balance a checkbook, and how to apply for a job.

I am to check their heads for lice, maintain a safe environment, recognize signs of anti-social behavior, and make sure all students pass the state exams, even those who don't come to school regularly or complete any of their assignments. Plus, I am to make sure that all of the students with handicaps get an equal education regardless of the extent of their mental or physical handicap.

I am to communicate regularly with the parents by letter, telephone, newsletter and report card. All of this I am to do with just a piece of chalk, a computer, a few books, a bulletin board, a big smile AND on a starting salary that qualifies my family for food stamps! You want me to do all of this and then you tell me... I CAN'T PRAY?"

PARISH PICNIC

Plans are under way for our parish picnic, which will be held on Sunday, September 25, 1:30p.m. to 5:30p.m. on the parish grounds. In addition to great food, entertainment is planned for young and old: Colors the Clown, cotton candy, popcorn, sno-cones and a bounce house. Tickets for the picnic are \$10.00 per person / family cap \$25.00 (Mother, Father, and minor children). Tickets may be purchased at the rectory or outside Church after Mass starting next weekend. We hope that you will join the festivities.

Do You Have a First Grader?

Time to register for CCD! Please call the CCD Office at 201-768-1400 or email olvhpcdd@gmail.com for a registration form and information. Classes begin in September.

FRESHMEN & SOPHOMORES IN HIGH SCHOOL

If you are in high school and have not made your Confirmation and would like to — you must be registered ASAP. See or call Deacon Al.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The men of the Holy Name Society will attend the 9:30AM Mass next Sunday, September 11. After Mass, the men will meet in the church basement with coffee and refreshments available. All men of our parish are welcome to join us. For more info call Marty Coyne - 201-767-8409.

KIDZ KORN

1. What is the name of the first book in the Old Testament?
2. What is the name of the first book in the New Testament?
3. What Old Testament Book relates to the story of Moses?
4. In what New Testament Book is there an account of Jesus' birth?
5. What is the Catholic name of the last book in the New Testament?

Answers on page four.

We were called to be witnesses, not lawyers or judges.