

Our Lady of Victories Church

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

150 Harriot Avenue, Harrington Park, New Jersey

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WELCOME

To the Parish Family of
OUR LADY OF VICTORIES

(THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH THE BIG HEART)

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

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday

St. Anthony: Tuesday

St. Joseph: Wednesday

St. Jude: Thursday

Infant of Prague: 25th of the month

St. Peregrine: First Friday of the Month

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

My sheep hear my voice;
I know them,
and they follow me.

John 10:27

Sunday, April 25, 2021 A.D.

In the Year of Saint Joseph



ATTENTION !

no more sign-ups for

Saturday evening / Sunday Mass.

Seating for Mass will be on a "first-come, first-served" basis,
with the assistance of the ushers.

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday evening 4:00PM and 5:00PM

Sunday 7:00AM, 8:00AM *Latin*, 9:30AM - also live-streamed,

10:45AM, 10:45AM Family Mass in OLV GYM

12:00Noon, 1:00PM *Spanish*, 6:00PM. No 7PM Sunday Mass

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION:

Mon.-Sat.: 7:30-7:50am. Saturday: 11:00-11:50am; 3:00-3:45pm

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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Fr. Wojciech's Corner

This weekend the first group of children has received the Body of our Risen Lord in **Holy Communion for the first time**. We congratulate them and their families and prompt them to partake and nourish themselves with this Heavenly Sacrament frequently. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

I would like to thank all those who offered their time and watered and took such a great care of our **Easter plants**.

As a parish we received thank you notes from **Natalie Coulter** and **Caitlyn Fritz**, IHA students, for all the donations to their school projects to help New Hope first-time mothers and also collecting toys last Christmas.

The "**Norwood family**" also thanks all for their gift cards and donations to help them replace items lost in the fire.

This Sunday marks the World Day of Prayer for Vocations also known as **Good Shepherd Sunday**. As the Lord says: "*The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.*" (Matthew 9:37-38) Let us first PRAY for vocations. Let us also inspire vocations with our own lives. If the youth sees us give of ourselves they will learn to give as well themselves to the Lord and to others. Do not be shy to encourage the young people to consider a vocation. Sometimes the Lord calls us through others. To all interested to see vocation websites, please go to *Religious Vocations | Archdiocese of Newark* (rcan.org) and *Home - Vocation Ministry*.

Next week we will be already in May the Month of Mary.

SPIRITUAL EXCERPT

Happy, indeed sublimely happy, is the person to whom the Holy Spirit reveals the secret of Mary, thus imparting to him true knowledge of her. Happy the person to whom the Holy Spirit opens this enclosed garden for him to enter, and to whom the Holy Spirit gives access to this sealed fountain where he can draw water and drink deep draughts of the living waters of grace. That person will find only grace and no creature in the most lovable Virgin Mary. But he will find that the infinitely holy and exalted God is at the same time infinitely solicitous for him and understands his weaknesses. Since God is everywhere, he can be found everywhere, even in hell. But there is no place where God can be more present to his creature and more sympathetic to human weakness than in Mary. It was indeed for this very purpose that he came down from heaven. Everywhere else he is the Bread of the strong and the Bread of angels, but living in Mary he is the Bread of children. - from *The Secret of Mary*, by Saint Louis Marie de Montfort

Mothers Day Memorials

Mothers Day is Sunday, May 9. Mass intention cards for the Living and Memorial envelopes for the deceased are available at the Church entrances. We will be praying for all the mothers, living and deceased, at Mass. It is a greatest gift to offer a Mass for a Mother.

2021 Annual Appeal: Please prayerfully consider donating to the Annual Appeal. To date OLV pledges total \$46,500 toward our \$65,143 goal. Appeal envelopes are available in church. Please submit your Appeal donations to the OLV rectory, so we can ensure that our parish receives proper credit. Please make checks payable to 2021 Annual Appeal. For info' visit website 2021 Annual Appeal | Archdiocese of Newark (rcan.org).

**God Bless
Our
First
Holy Communicants.**

World Day of Prayer for Vocations "Good Shepherd Sunday"



World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, April 25, 2021 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church,

it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life. 2021 marks the 58th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations

NEEDED !!!

The Harvest is great, but the laborers are few. Pray to the Lord to send more laborers into the harvest. Have you ever considered offering your life to the Lord? Call Fr. Wojciech or Fr. Ed at the rectory or Vocations Office 973-313-6190. Have you ever considered offering your suffering for vocations? You can do that now.

Pray for Those in the Military

US Army

Captain Ben Clemente
RRT Specialist James Crumb
Specialist Peter Dippolito
Major Michael Franson
Sergeant First Class Charles Greene
Private First Class Sean Keohane
Captain Shawn Linn
Lieutenant Gigi McElroy
Colonel John McLaughlin
Captain John G. Miele

US Air Force

Chief Master Sergeant Shawn Llewellyn

US Marine Corps.

Corporal Shanna Bennett
Sergeant Matthew Brady
1st Lieutenant Ryan Colomeo
Lance Corporal Thomas Iafate
Captain Stephen Ikalowych
Corporal Joseph Levine
2nd Lieutenant J.P. Maher

US Navy

Lt. Commander Julia Cheringal
Ensign Jon Clemente
Lieutenant Joseph Jaeger
Lieutenant Andrew Jaeger

Prayer for the Safety of Soldiers

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in You will be glad and forever will shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of Your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of Your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise You for Your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Pray for Our Sick

Please Pray in the name of **JESUS**, the Healer, that the *sick of the 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 Will*: baby Cordelia, baby Emmet Fischer, baby James Amicucci, baby Jonathan, baby Joseph, 5-year old Quinn, Michael Baruch, Richard Bolton, Robert Brawley, Dominic Carini, Sal Cenicola, Helen Choma, Kevin Columbo, Paul Corbett, Marie D'Ascenzo, Maryann Dean, Lorraine Degerdon, Roseann Dennehy, Vincent DePaola, Marge Devitt, Frank Diller, Carl Falasca, Michael Fallon, Jay Filippone, Marie Filippone, Christine Flatt, Mary Foley, Leslie Handler, Amy Hartwell, Peter Kellar, Mary Lowe, James McGarry, Robert Milli, Gianna Moscatello, Natalie Niebergall, John Pal, Tom Paskewich, Joan and Buddy Phalon, Marie Piazza, Canice Prince, William Ragu, Debra Rendon, Louise Ricciardi, Vincent Ricciardi, Veronica Romanchuk, Beth Sacco, Peggy Shedden, Aileen Vassar, Maria Williams, Brian, Carla, Chris, Christina, Dierdre, Edward, Elba, Jennifer, Joann, Karen, Lauren, Lisa, Lou, Lucas, Lynn, Patrick, Paul, Peter, Robert, Sean, Sharon, Tina W., Tom.

EASTER DUTY

The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty), that is the obligation of receiving the Eucharist for Easter extends to the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, May 30. No one conscious of committing a serious or mortal sin should receive Holy Communion until they have first gone to the Sacrament of Reconciliation a.k.a. Confession.

FRIDAYS outside Lent

The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of Penance. Each individual should abstain from meat or may substitute some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

If the love of Christ lives in us, then we do as He did and seek after the lost sheep. Natural love seeks to possess the beloved entirely and as far as possible not to share him. Christ came to win back lost mankind for the Father; whoever loves with His love will want people for God and not for himself.

— St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 26 - St. Stephen – Bishop of Perm, Russia

8:00 John Shalhoub - 1st Anniversary R/b the Shalhoub Family
12:00 Intentions of George Fabiano R/b George and Gail Fabiano

Tuesday, April 27 - St. Zita of Lucca, Italy - Laywoman

8:00 John Naughton R/b the Barrett Family
12:00 Mary Farrelly R/b Ed Farrelly

Wednesday, April 28 - St. Peter Chanel-Martyr

8:00 Peter Piana R/b Carole Bellini
12:00 Thanksgiving to St. Gianna R/b the Zaccaro Family

Thursday, April 29 - St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor

8:00 Mary B. Sweeney R/b George and Gail Fabiano
12:00 Anna Lucia Arias R/b Maria Arias

Friday, April 30 - Saint Pius V, Pope

8:00 Vincent and Mary Schittulli R/b Mary Muggeo
12:00 Frank and Mary Muggeo R/b Bob and Sue Muggeo

First Saturday, May 1 - St. Joseph the Worker

8:00 Vincent Intintola R/b Marlene Thornton
12:00 John Scrivanich R/b the Busanic Family

4:00 Malvina Bertoglio R/b Bruce Michael Ricciardi

5:00 Margaret and William Strasser R/b Olsen, Jaeger, Wantuch Family

Sunday, May 2 - St. Athanasius of Egypt–Bishop & Doctor

7:00 Briscoe Family R/b the Briscoe Family

8:00 Anthony M. Morro R/b Donald and Marie Liebreich

9:30 Elizabeth "Maureen" Haugh R/b Jackie Dent

10:45 Connie and Antonio Rodriguez R/b the Filippone Family

10:45 Gym People of the Parish

12:00 Richard DeCroce R/b Kathleen Magarro

1:00 Pasquale Ciccariello R/b Rita McNamara

6:00 Richard Supple R/b OLV CCD

Sanctuary Memorials

The Sanctuary Lamp, the Blessed Virgin Mary Votive Lamp and the St. Joseph Votive Lamp will burn this week for the **special intentions of Patricia and Tom Barrett, r/b John and Marion Barrett.**

The Pope St. John Paul II Votive Lamp will burn this week in **memory of Peter Piana, r/b Carole Bellini.**

My Parish—COVID-19—My Responsibility

We thank all those who so generously continue to support our parish by mailing in your donations. At the same time, we understand that some have been laid off from their work or are experiencing decreased income and are unable to continue their donations at this time. *Donations / offering envelopes may be mailed to:*

OLV Rectory, 81 Lynn Street, Harrington Park, NJ 07640.

Thank you for your generosity.

NEW TO THE AREA? If you are, why not join our ever-growing Parish family. You may register via our parish website olvhp.org. Go to tab "About" and then "Parish Registration". PLEASE, if you change your address or phone number, let us know!

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Saint Zita (1218-1272)

Servant and miracle worker. Born at Monte Sagrati, Italy, she entered into the service of the Fratinelli family, wool dealers in Lucca, at the age of twelve. Immediately disliked by the other servants for her hard work and obvious goodness, she earned their special enmity because of her habit of giving away food and clothing to the poor including those of her employers. In time, she won over the members of the household. According to one tradition, the other servants were convinced when one day they found an angel taking Zita's place in baking and cleaning. Throughout her life she labored on behalf of the poor and suffering as well as criminals languishing in prisons. She was also credited with a variety of miracles. Canonized in 1696, she is the patroness of servants and is depicted in art with a bag and keys, or loaves of bread and a rosary. Feast day: April 27.

QUESTION

This week I was listening by radio to a good priest giving answers on a very well-known Catholic Q & A program. They were discussing the Apostolic Pardon. The priest said it was for someone in danger of death who had complete detachment from all sin, as in any plenary indulgence. Then they could go directly to Heaven at death. My understanding is that it is for someone dying who is known by the priest to have led a devout life, but it eliminates the requirement of having complete detachment from sin. Am I correct? And why do I never hear any mention of this great gift?

A. Once the Sacrament of Penance has been given to a dying person, says the Pastoral Care of the Sick (n. 201), "the priest may give the Apostolic Pardon for the dying, using one of the following: "Through the holy mysteries of our redemption, may almighty God release you from all punishments in this life and in the life to come. May He open to you the gates of paradise and welcome you to everlasting joy. Amen." "By the authority which the Apostolic See has given me, I grant you a full pardon and the remission of all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen." We are not aware that the dying person must have lived a devout life in order to be eligible for the Apostolic Pardon. Here are the conditions that are spelled out in the Handbook of Indulgences (n. 28): "Priests who minister the sacraments to the Christian faithful who are in a life-and-death situation should not neglect to impart to them the Apostolic Blessing, with its attached indulgence. But if a priest cannot be present, Holy Mother Church lovingly grants such persons who are rightly disposed a plenary indulgence to be obtained in *articulo mortis*, at the approach of death, provided they regularly prayed in some way during their lifetime. The use of a crucifix or a cross is recommended in obtaining this plenary indulgence. "In such a situation, the three usual conditions required in order to gain a plenary indulgence [freedom from all attachment to sin, performance of an indulgenced work, sacramental Confession and Eucharistic Communion] are substituted for by the condition 'provided they regularly prayed in some way.' "The Christian faithful can obtain the plenary indulgence mentioned here as death approaches (in *articulo mortis*) even if they had already obtained another plenary indulgence that same day." We don't know why you never hear mention of this gift. Priests should be aware of it since it is mentioned in the section of the Breviary dealing with prayers for emergencies. In any case, you ought to ask every priest you know if he is familiar with the Apostolic Pardon, and even give him a card with the prayer on it for use with those who are dying. Also, tell your family members and friends that you want to receive this blessing when your death approaches.

DID YOU KNOW?

Q: What does it mean, "He rose again"?

A: This expression is also found in the Nicene Creed in English which is rarely used in Canada. In Latin, French, Spanish, Italian and other languages it is stated that "On the third day He rose from the dead." With no "again." For some this *again* seems to imply that Jesus rose more than once from the dead. This is simply a quirk of English grammar that is not found in all languages. It does not necessarily mean that the action was done before.

For example, if we say: "Peter was walking in the woods, he tripped on a root and fell face down. With a groan, and rubbing his nose, he got up again." His getting up again does not imply that he had fallen more than once.

Thus "rose again" does not mean rose a second time but rose anew, came back to His previous condition, returned among the living.

This use of *again*, relatively common in early 17th-century English, is less so in the modern idiom, and this would explain the confusion of some contemporary readers.

Answered by Legionary of Christ Father Edward McNamara, professor of liturgy and dean of theology at the Regina Apostolorum University in Rome.

Apostolic Succession

Every Catholic priest can trace his ministerial lineage back to one of the Apostles

In the Creed, we profess belief in the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. Let's talk about that notion of an Apostolic Church. For many, one of the strongest arguments for Catholicism is Apostolic Succession. Isn't it amazing to think that every Catholic priest could trace his ministerial lineage back to one of the Apostles? You see, every priest was ordained by a bishop, who was ordained by a bishop, and so on in an unbroken line back to one of the Twelve.

We see Apostolic Succession clearly in Acts 1:15-26. After the death of Judas, the remaining Apostles knew that the office given to Judas by Christ had to be filled. So Matthias was chosen to succeed Judas. The Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph 862 says this: "Just as the office which the Lord confided to Peter alone, as first of the apostles, destined to be transmitted to his successors, is a permanent one, so also endure the office, which the apostles received, of shepherding the Church, a charge destined to be exercised without interruption by the sacred order of bishops. Hence the Church teaches that 'the bishops have by divine institution taken the place of the apostles as pastors of the Church, in such wise that whoever listens to them is listening to Christ and whoever despises them despises Christ and him who sent Christ.'" For further study: Acts 1:15-26, CCC 815, 830-833, 860-862.

KIDZ KORNER ANSWERS

1. In the Gospel of John.
2. Every 4th Sunday of Easter; this year - Sunday, April 25th.
3. A good shepherd lays down his **life** for the sheep.
4. Good Shepherd Sunday is also known as Vocations Sunday.
5. Our vocation - to what mission is God calling us in life.

"Lay all your cares about the future trustingly in God's hands, and let yourself be guided by the Lord just like a little child."

– St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (St. Edith Stein)

NEED BAPTISM, FIRST COMMUNION OR CONFIRMATION

If you want to become a Roman Catholic or complete your Initiation into the Church, the RCIA is for you! For more information, phone the rectory. *Adult Catholics* who have not yet celebrated *Confirmation* should also contact the rectory for preparation class information.

CONVALIDATION

Best way to start your married life is with God. In Sacramental Marriage God's own divine life can be experienced and lived. Were you married only civilly by a mayor or justice of the peace and would now like to be married in the Catholic Church? Call Fr. Wojciech for details.

REQUIREMENTS for GODPARENTS

Godparents play a very important role in your child's spiritual life as role models of the faith. They should support not only the child, but the parents as well. Additionally, in their role as godparent, they represent the larger Church community and this is a tremendous responsibility. The Church has provided guidelines to help parents choose the best possible godparents for their children. In recognizing the importance of the godparent and their duties:

- Godparent/Sponsor** must be at least 16 years old.
- Godparent/Sponsor** must be in good standing with the Catholic Church. Must be a practicing Catholic (*attend Sunday Mass weekly*). Must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation. If married, must be married in the Catholic Church. If single, not living with significant other, nor married civilly only.
- Godparent/Sponsor** cannot be the candidate's parent. Each child only requires one Godparent. If you wish to have 2 Godparents there must be one female and one male. (Canon Law 872-874)

Jesus asked one thing from us!!!

On His last night of earth (Holy Thursday) Jesus asked His disciples one thing – to stay awake with Him for one hour. OLV has Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday and Thursday - 8:30 to 11:50AM.

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 weekday at 7:30AM-7:50AM, as well as First Friday at 6PM, and Saturdays from 11AM to Noon and 3-3:40PM. A Priest is also available to hear Confessions daily by appointment.

Array of Hope - Awakening Hearts: Check out all that we have been up to on **social media**. Listen to our NEW **podcast** episode "**And Forgive Us Our Trespasses**" featuring Immaculee Ilibagiza as we discuss the Lord's command to forgive (even our enemies), the impossibility of doing so without God's grace, and the power of trusting in Divine Mercy. Tune in to our **Instagram Live** Monday thru Friday @ 3pm for a LIVE daily *Divine Mercy Chaplet*!

Several Sources Shelters Children's Charity Golf Classic - Monday, June 7, 2021. Register today or for additional information email kbranach@severalsources.org or call 201-818-9033. Presented by St. James Insurance Group and St. John's Insurance.

Clothing Bins: Please donate clothes, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, novels, knick-knacks, toys, and children's books. Please place your donations **INSIDE** the bins (sometimes you have to push it in). Do not leave items outside.

DID YOU KNOW?

- The most destructive habitWorry
- The greatest joyGiving
- The greatest lossLoss of self respect
- The most satisfying workHelping others
- The ugliest personality trait.....Selfishness
- The most endangered speciesDedicated leaders
- Our greatest resourceOur youth
- The greatest "shot in the arm"Encouragement
- The greatest problem to overcomeFear
- The most effective sleeping pill.....Peace of Mind
- The most crippling failure diseaseExcuses
- The most powerful force in lifeLove
- The most dangerous pariahGossiper
- The world's most incredible computer...The brain
- The worst thing to be without.....Hope
- The deadliest weaponThe tongue
- The two most power-filled words "I can"
- The greatest asset.Faith
- The most worthless emotionSelf-pity
- The most beautiful attireSMILE!
- The most prized possession.Integrity
- The most powerful channel of communication ...Prayer
- The most contagious spirit Enthusiasm

A Little Humor ...

They Walk Among Us!

I couldn't find my luggage at the airport baggage area and went to the lost luggage office and reported the loss. The woman there smiled and told me not to worry because she was a trained professional and said I was in good hands. "Now," she asked me, "Has your plane arrived yet?"

White Hair

One day a little girl was sitting and watching her mother do the dishes at the kitchen sink. She suddenly noticed that her mother had several strands of white hair sticking out in contrast on her brunette head. She looked at her mother and inquisitively asked, "Why are some of your hairs white, Mum?" Her mother replied, "Well, every time that you do something wrong and make me cry or unhappy, one of my hairs turns white." The little girl thought about this revelation for a while and then said, "Mummy, how come ALL of grandma's hairs are white?"

THE NEW BOSS

Arcelor-Mittal Steel, feeling it was time for a shakeup, hired a new CEO. The new boss was determined to rid the company of all slackers. On a tour of the facilities, the CEO noticed a guy leaning against a wall. The room was full of workers and he wanted to let them know that he meant business. He asked the guy, "How much money do you make a week?" A little surprised, the young man looked at him and said, "I make \$400 a week. Why?" The CEO said, "Wait right here." He walked back to his office, came back in two minutes, and handed the guy \$1,600 in cash and said, "Here's four weeks pay. Now GET OUT and don't come back." Feeling pretty good about himself the CEO looked around the room and asked, "Does anyone want to tell me what that goof-ball did here?" From across the room a voice said, "Pizza delivery guy from Domino's".

KIDZ KORNER

1. In what Gospel does Jesus call Himself the Good Shepherd?
2. When does the Church celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday?
3. A good shepherd lays down his _____ for the sheep.
4. Good Shepherd Sunday is also known by what other name?
5. What is God asking us to think about in a special way this Sunday?

Answers on page 4.