

Our Lady of the Valley Parish

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WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of the Valley Parish is a community of believing Catholics empowered by the Holy Spirit to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, expressed in prayer, realized in liturgy, and serviced by action. We are made in the image of God to promote charity, justice, peace and a deep faith to all, especially those most in need of God's Mercy.

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon., Tues.. 12:10 pm St. Ann
Thur. & Fri.
NO Mass Wed.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:30 pm St. Ann
Sunday 7:00 am & 10:30 am St. Ann
Sunday 8:30 am St. Mary

TELEVISED MASS FOR SHUT-INS

Sunday 1:00 pm
(channel 1301 - Hornell)
Sponsored by Bishop & Johnson Funeral Home and Peish TV

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Ann's Church
Tuesday & Thursday,
11:30 am - 12 pm
Saturday, 3:30 - 4:15 pm
Or by appointment

BAPTISM

Contact Parish Office

WEDDINGS

Contact Parish Office
6 months in advance

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OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY PARISH COMMITTEES/COUNCILS - CHAIRPERSONS

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Kerry O'Brien

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Bill Loree

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Vacant

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Beth Ann Jacobs

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Mark VanDurme

Stewardship

Jesus tells the crowd that only those who renounce all of their possessions can be His disciples. Is He truly asking is to give up *everything*? Perhaps instead He is trying to help us see that everything we own is really a gift from God. Good Stewards know this and strive to use those gifts accountably.

Our Lady of the Valley Masses and Intentions

SATURDAY ~ September 7th.

4:30pm. - St. Ann - Anniversary— Doug Gilbert by Beverly, Jon and Kevin
Sterling Bebout by Jim and Nancy Bebout

SUNDAY ~ September 8th. ~ Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am. - St. Ann - Barbara Michalowski Neisen by Cousins Delores, Joseph, Patsy and Families
Ron Quinlan by the Watt Family
8:30am. - St. Mary - Richard Lewis by Mary Woodworth
10:30am. - St. Ann - Ronald Boone by Patty and Family
Anne Watt by Dan Casey and Family

MONDAY ~ September 9th. ~ Saint Peter Claver

12:10 pm. - St. Ann - James P. Leonard Jr. by Joseph Aini Jr.
Joseph Aini by Kathleen Hoeffner

TUESDAY ~ September 10th.

12:10 pm. - St. Ann – Angela Nasca by Mary Lou Coleman
Carl Mauro by Connie Shephard

WEDNESDAY ~ September 11th.

NO MASS

THURSDAY ~ September 12th. ~ The Most Holy Name of Mary

12:10 pm. - St. Ann - Elaine Donlon Ceci by Linda and Charlie McCormick
Don Koehler by Connie and Jack Morris

FRIDAY ~ September 13th. ~ Saint John Chrysostom

12:10 pm.— St. Ann - Dr. Byron Collins by the Mikolajczyk Family
Sara Dagon by Frances Stetts

SATURDAY ~ September 14th. ~ The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

4:30pm. - St. Ann - Lisa Ray by Jane Cronin and Family
Mary Hawes by Joanne Palmesano

SUNDAY ~ September 15th. ~ Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am. - St. Ann - W. H. Dugan by Edward Zaparzynski
Michael Pelych by James Burd
8:30am. - St. Mary - Mr. and Mrs. Merrill McCormick by the Family
10:30am. - St. Ann - Evelyn Todenhagen by the Family
Feast of Beato Angelo by the Descendants of Furci Italy



The Pastor's Two Cents

Being Faithful



In this weekend's Gospel Jesus calls his disciples to faithfulness and explains what that entails. In the second reading St. Paul speaks about being an "old man...and prisoner for Christ Jesus." He is a great example of being faithful to the call he received from the Lord. Many times we desire to do something great for the Lord but struggle in finding what that is and how to do it. At the beginning of this month we celebrated the Feast Day of St. Teresa of Calcutta (9/5). We need to remember at those times what she once said, "*We are called upon not to be successful, but to be faithful.*" Being faithful to God is everything. Rachel Naomi Remen, MD is the author of the bestselling book, *My Grandfather's Blessings*. In the introduction of the book she tells the following story:

Often, when he came to visit, my grandfather would bring me a present. These were never the sorts of things that other people brought, dolls and books and stuffed animals. My dolls and stuffed animals have been gone for more than half a century, but many of my grandfather's gifts are with me still. Once he brought me a little paper cup. I looked inside it expecting something special. It was full of dirt. I was not allowed to play with dirt. Disappointed, I told him this. He smiled at me fondly. Turning, he picked up the little teapot from my dolls' tea set and took me to the kitchen where he filled it with water. Back in the nursery, he put the little cup on the windowsill and handed me the teapot. "If you promise to put some water in the cup every day, something may happen," he told me. At the time, I was four years old and my nursery was on the sixth floor of an apartment building in Manhattan. This whole thing made no sense to me at all. I looked at him dubiously. He nodded with encouragement. "Every day, Neshume-le," he told me. And so I promised. At first, curious to see what would happen, I did not mind doing this. But as the days went by and nothing changed, it got harder and harder to remember to put water in the cup. After a week, I asked my grandfather if it was time to stop yet. Shaking his head no, he said, "Every day, Neshume-le." The second week was even harder, and I became resentful of my promise to put water in the cup. When my grandfather came again, I tried to give it back to him but he refused to take it, saying simply, "Every day, Neshume-le." By the third week, I began to forget to put water in the cup. Often I would remember only after I had been put to bed and would have to get out of bed and water it in the dark. But I did not miss a single day. And one morning, there were two little green leaves that had not been there the night before. I was completely astonished. Day by day they got bigger. I could not wait to tell my grandfather, certain that he would be as surprised as I was. But of course he was not. Carefully he explained to me that life is everywhere, hidden in the most ordinary and unlikely places. I was delighted. "And all it needs is water, Grandpa?" I asked him. Gently he touched me on the top of my head. "No, Neshume-le," he said. "All it needs is your faithfulness."

ALL GOD NEEDS IS OUR FAITHFULNESS!

Don't forget, "The Lord is with you!" *Fr. Stan*

Parish Activities and Coming Events

September 8th: Confirmation Orientation 9am in the Pine Room.

Youth Group Pizza Party in Parish Lawn after 10:30 Mass—1pm.

Wild Goose #4 in the Meeting Room at 3:30pm.

September 13th: Faith On Tap at 6:30pm—Guest Speaker from CareFirst.

September 15th: Beato Angelo Luncheon at the Main Place following 10:30 Mass.

Scripture Readings

September 8th, 2019

First Reading: Book of Wisdom 9:13-18b

Second Reading: St. Paul to Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Classes will begin in early September for RCIA. If you know of anyone who's interested in coming into the church or learning more about the process, please call Peg Griswold, 382-2251 or the OLV Parish offices, 324-5811. We will have an informational meeting on September 8th after the 10:30am mass in the church library.

Recent Deaths

Our Condolences are extended to the family of

Yolanda Rose

Don VanWinkle

Connie Morris

who have recently passed away. May the Lord bless them and keep them. May the Lord let His face shine upon them, and be gracious to them. Lord, look upon them kindly and give them peace.

Save The Date!

September 15th — Descendants of Furci, Italy
Beato Angelo Luncheon following 10:30 Mass
at the Main Place.

Any questions please call Jerry Argentieri at
(607)776-4806

Our Lady of the Valley

September 1st, 2019

Actual- \$ 7,506

Year to Date Actual- \$ 76,121

Year to Date Budget-\$ 80,000

Repairs- \$ 222

Thank you for your generosity

Questions of the week for the Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Adults: How do you try to discover what God is asking of you?

Children: When is it hard for you to know the right thing to do? Who helps you know?

ATTENTION: OLV CEMETERY LOT OWNERS!!!

The **deadline for fall clean-up** in the cemeteries is **October 14, 2018**. All plants and decorations must be removed by this date. Anything left after this date will be removed by the cemetery workers. **Mums** may be placed/planted **on or after October 22**.

Ladies of Columbus dinner Tuesday September 17th at 5:30 At Knights of Columbus. Dues for 2019-2020 are due at this time.

Altar Server Schedule

St. Ann

Saturday, September 14th. - 4:30pm. ~ Cameron and Sydney Heinig

Sunday, September 15th. - 7:00am. ~ Ryan Washburn

Sunday, September 15th - 10:30am. ~ Breccan and McKenna Donlon

Sanctuary Offerings for August 2019

Sanctuary Light in Memory of
Doug Gilbert by Beverly and Family

Sanctuary Offerings for September 2019

Altar Breads in Memory of
Doctor Maurice Rucker by Theresa Rucker

Altar Wines in Memory of
Stephen Dori by Theresa Rucker

Altar Candles in Memory of
Helen and Richard Trent by Theresa Rucker

Sanctuary Light in Memory of
Margaret and Michael Rubbo by Theresa Rucker

Adoration Chapel Candles in Memory of
Margaret and Michael Rubbo by Theresa Rucker

The next **Faith on Tap** will be held on Friday, **Sept. 13th at 6:30** at a parishioner's home. The topic will be "How to cope with Death and Dying" presented by Care-First. Pizza and wings will be served. Please contact Dave Prete at (607) 382-5274 or david.prete@dor.org for more information or to **RVSP by September 10th**.

Prayer Corner

As a parish we have been asked to pray for people who are sick, facing surgery, etc. We thank God for His healing goodness and ask that you **please let us know when someone can be removed from the prayer list**. Call the parish office at 324-5811.

Our Sick

Donald Griswold, Ruth A. Kendall, Mary Aini, Vicki Mastin, William McNelis, Patricia Jarrabet, Debbie Lynn Panter, Willie Bilancio, Mike Hillman, Fran Grillo, Dominic Conlan, Lucy Scrocco, Donna Roosa, Emma Loree, Beth Yurkewecz, Frank Dori, Jonathan Baek, Darlene Dibble, Julie Case, Trystan Weaver, Ashley Zahradnick, Becky Dibble, Stacey Pullen, Alice Gaskin, Janine Zahradnick, Tom Witherell, Finley Burtch, Mike Griffiths, Cindy Stewart, Teeka Sherman, Virginia Smith, Mary Ann Turley, Nancy Emerson, Mary Ann Fennelly, Duane Lajoie, Samuel Parlavecchio Jr, Mary Mulley Parlavecchio, Kevin Quinn, Mary Jo DiNardo, Pauline Foster, Dee Morgan, Sharon Davidson, Lisa Gaskin, Walter Xander, Diane Kubiak, Fred Voss, Danny Masterson, Teri Grace, Josephine Ciancaglini, Rose Thompson, Marilyn Hoffman, Martha Marino, Kathy Waufle, Ruth Dailey, Marie Dugo, Peggy Towner Cooper, Herb Zuschin, Danielle Sexton, Dolores D'Apice, Joe Solo, Tim Haley, Peter DiRaimondo, Ginny Brooks, Colleen Marino, Joyce Klenchik, Lynne Cardamone, Emmie DiNardo, Bob Mills, Barbara Clancy, Anna Moran.

Our Men & Women Sewing in the Military

Kyle Stewart, Sean Stillman, Ryan Phillips, Steven Miles, Cory Rose, Jacob O'Heron, Joe Hornbeck, Donald VanWinkle Jr., Gregory Addison, A.J. Murphy, Ryan O'Rourke, James McCormick, Brittney Caruso, Cameron Gallipau, Alan Rawleigh, Nathan Donahue, Malachi Weaver, Shannon Weaver, Terry Leonard, Kerrigan Lisi, Jessica Fahl Snider, John Kelley, Pete Hornbeck, Robert Murray, Brittany Stoddard, Zachary Day, Michael Mikolajczyk, Ben Pollinger, Dustin Kinnaird, Sam Argentieri, Amie Moore, Scott Ray, James Ray, Matt Randazzo, Brendan Deeks, Collin Rose, Bailey Rose Gibbs, Joshua Woodworth, Hunter Erway, Bryan Canty.



Sacrament of Confirmation Preparation Program for 2019-2020

Two-year preparation program leading to the
Sacrament of Confirmation

Registration is August 3rd to September 8th

Open to teens in 8th —11th grade

Registration forms are at the entrances of the churches
Return completed form to Deb Brinkhus at
OLOV Parish Office, 27 Erie Ave., Hornell

Program Orientation:

August 25th at 9:30AM, St. Mary Church, Rexville
September 8th at 9:00AM, Pine Room, Parish Center, Hornell

Classes begin:

Sunday, September 15th, for St. Ann's, 8:45AM in Pine Room
Sunday, September 22nd for St. Mary, 9:30AM in the church

Costs

\$25.00 suggested donation to help the parish
offset the cost of the book
\$20.00 suggested donation per year for the retreats



Chapel of Perpetual Adoration Open Hours

Sunday at 1:00am (once every 4 weeks).
Sunday at 2pm.

Substitutes are welcomed. Please call:
Isabel Nobilski 324-1424 or Donna Kull 324-2884

Thoughts from those who come to the Chapel of Adoration

The hour I spend in chapel is quiet and prayer seems to center me for the week. I can open my heart to Jesus and feel free to ask for what I and others need. No matter how busy my mind is when I enter, it is put to rest and quiet and I can think clearly. I am always happy to pray for the people asking for prayers and I pray for all out there in need of prayers. I think you will feel greatly unburdened by an hour in the Chapel.

Teaching Catechism

The Holy Spirit is calling faithful Catholics to help pass on the precious gift of the Catholic Faith.

Will you answer?

Catechist and program aides for the parish children, kindergarten through eighth grade are being sought. No previous experience is necessary.

All training is provided.

Contact Lisa Brott: lisa.brott@dor.org

Registration is open and forms can be found at the church entrances!



A Sunday Gospel Reflections

September 8th. – Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 14:25-33

Gospel Summary

The people in the large crowd that Jesus addressed in today's Gospel were deeply committed to loving and honoring their parents. That's why Jesus' words must have been shocking to them saying that they must turn from their parents (some translations even say "hate"). The point Jesus wanted to make was that nothing, not family nor possessions, could interfere with a person's choice to follow Jesus. Followers of Jesus were to carefully calculate their commitment. Jesus meticulously helped them understand this process by comparing it to a builder who carefully planned out the structure to be built before breaking ground or to a military leader who calculated the size of his army versus the opponent's. The follower must be willing to pay the price of discipleship before making the choice so that he/she doesn't quit the commitment.

Reflection for Families

This is a hard reading for parents if we take it literally. It helps to understand that Jesus was making a point about how committed we should be if we want to follow him. Discipleship is not something we go away by ourselves and do. It's how we live in our everyday world. It's how we treat our children, our friends and spouses, coworkers, neighbors, and strangers. When we count the cost of discipleship each morning when we get out of bed, we might consider the challenges we will face with people throughout the day. Even thinking ahead about how we will deal with expected issues or unexpected irritations will help us act like disciples. Asking Jesus to help us throughout the day will remind us that we are not alone!

Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Have each person in the family cut out a cross from a large sheet of paper and draw symbols on the cross that describe their personal commitment to Jesus. Help family members realize that discipleship is demanded in our everyday lives, at home, at work, at school, in our neighborhoods and community. After the symbols are finished, share your ideas of what you might turn away from in order to faithfully follow Jesus. What kind of planning and foresight does it take for you to do the things you've drawn on your cross?

Discussion Starters

One thing in my life that gets in the way of following Jesus is . . .

One person I know who lives this Gospel and is a faithful follower of Jesus, is . . . and I see him/her paying the price of discipleship by . . .