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Our Lady of Victory Parish

Harveys Lake, PA

Two Parishes, One Faith Community

Serving the Back Mountain Community Of Luzerne County

PASTOR

Rev. Andrew S. Hvozdovic, M. Div.

July 3, 2022: The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Deacon Thomas M. Cesarini
Deacon John C. Jorda

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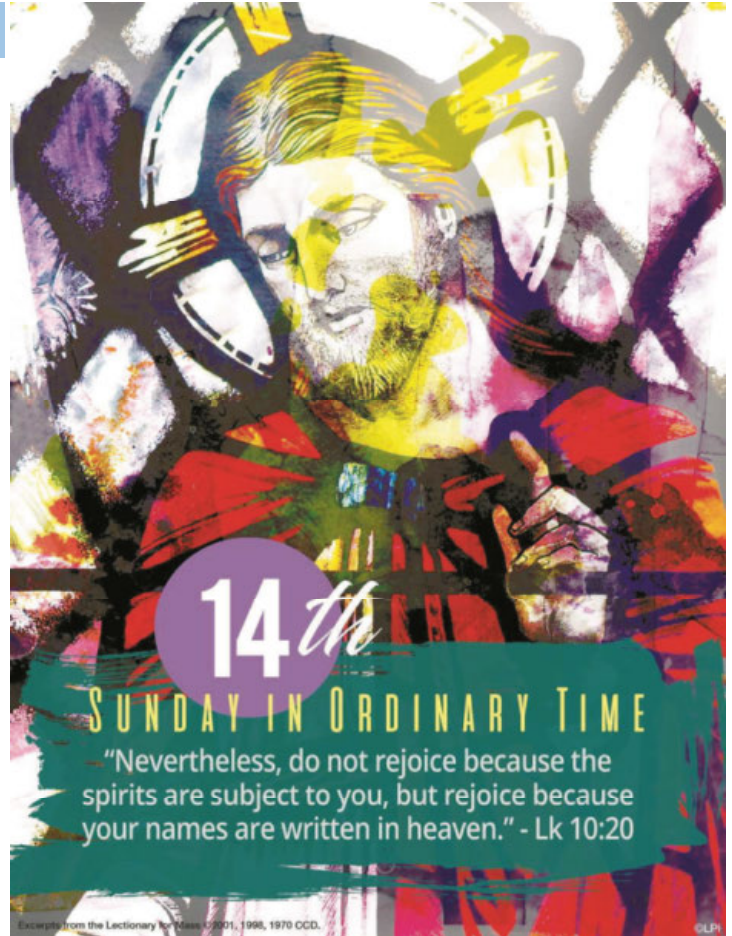
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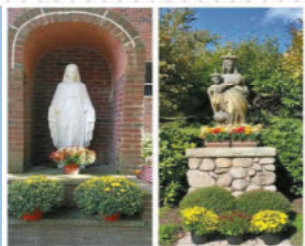
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| Office Manager | Renee Boland |
| Director of Music/Liturgy | Helen Neylon |
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**Pastoral Staff at both
Our Lady of Victory and Gate of Heaven**

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| Business Manager | Helen Neylon |
| Administrative Assistant | Renee Boland |
| RCIA/Baptism Coordinator | Deacon John Jorda |
| Mission Liaison | Carol Carroll |
| Webmaster | Dan Gallagher |



Parish Mission Statement: We, the faithful members of Gate of Heaven and Our Lady of Victory Parishes, in union with our Bishop and Pastor, are called through baptism to share in the mission that Jesus Christ has entrusted to us. We celebrate the Sacraments and pledge our service to the community through use of time, talent and treasure. We are dedicated to proclaiming the Word of God, to deepening the faith of our parishioners, and to reaching out to all those in need. We provide the necessary resources to educate in sharing our faith. We encourage our parents, grandparents and parish family to pray for vocations. Through Baptism, we each have an active role to play in the life and mission of the Church. We celebrate our faith as linked parishes jointly working together in many ways while maintaining our heritage as individual churches in the Back Mountain community.



Want to Join a Parish?

New parishioners are always welcome!
Please call your parish of choice to register.
GOH: 570-675-2121
OLV: 570-639-1535

FROM THE PASTOR



Thank you to everyone who came out to our Annual Boat Blessing this year! I blessed over 50 different watercraft on a brilliantly sunny Sunday. Thank you to the Herron, Douaihy, and Marszalek families for hosting us on their dock.

As the anniversary of my first year as your Pastor is quickly approaching, I want to thank you, my parishes, for welcoming me and making me a part of your families. May we all continue to find the many blessings of the Lord in our presence this summer.



Grateful and Blessed to be your Pastor,
Father Andrew

Holiday Office Hours

The Offices at GOH & OLV will be CLOSED on Monday, July 4th for the Independence Day Holiday. Phones will be monitored for emergencies only.

Mass on Monday, July 4th is at 9am at GOH. There will be NO evening devotions.

STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE REPORTS

GATE OF HEAVEN

| | | COLLECTION | ATTENDANCE |
|--------------|--------|-------------------|------------|
| JUNE 25 | 5:30PM | \$1,455.00 | 79 |
| JUNE 26 | 9:00AM | \$1,563.00 | 84 |
| MAIL-IN | | \$1,805.00 | |
| TOTAL | | \$4,823.00 | 163 |

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

| | | COLLECTION | ATTENDANCE |
|--------------|---------|-------------------|------------|
| JUNE 25 | 4:00PM | \$1,038.00 | 92 |
| JUNE 26 | 7:30AM | \$954.00 | 83 |
| JUNE 26 | 10:30AM | \$1,728.11 | 125 |
| MAIL-IN | | \$1,402.00 | |
| TOTAL | | \$5,122.11 | 300 |

Calendar of EVENTS

- July 2/3:** OLV Golf Tournament Theme Baskets on Display
- July 4th:** GOH Mass at 9am/ Offices Closed
- July 13:** Fatima Devotions
- July 17:** Mega Raffle Winners Announced
- July 18-22:** Vacation Bible School
- July 25-29:** Summer Music Camp
- July 31:** Special Music Camp Liturgy at GOH 9am Mass
Coffee & Donuts after Mass at GOH
- August 21:** GOH/OLV Summer Church Picnic
- September 16:** OLV Golf Tournament

Special Visitor at OLV: Adam Ricci is a 32 year old autistic gentleman who lives in Chapel Hill, NC. Every summer for the past 18 years, he and his family have spent summers in NEPA. They recently bought a home at Harveys Lake. Adam and his father, Bob, regularly attended St. Faustina's in Nanticoke, while in NEPA. With the new home location, they will be attending OLV. Adam would like to share with the congregation at OLV, a special prayer he likes to recite after Holy Communion. He calls it "The Thank You God Prayer". It takes approximately 2 minutes. Please join Adam in prayer on **Saturday, July 2 at 4pm** and **Sunday, July 10 at 10:30am** as he thanks God.

Our Lady of Victory Parish
16 Second Street, Harveys Lake, PA 18618

Parish Phone: 570-639-1535 — Fax: 570-639-1294 — Email: olvh1309@aol.com

Our Facebook Page: Gate of Heaven and Our Lady of Victory Website: <https://www.goholv.org>

Mass Schedule/Devotions for July 4—10

Tuesday: July 5

9:00am Mass Intention for Al & Vera Kopicki given by Bob & Paula Baur

10:15am Mass at Meadows Nursing Center for Residents

Friday: July 8

11:15am Divine Mercy Cenacle

12:00pm Mass Intention for Florence Sokol given by Angie Murray

Saturday: July 9

4:00pm Mass Intention for Irene Jorda given by Deacon John Jorda

Sunday: July 10: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Mass Intention for Mary Schuler given by Family

10:30am Mass Intention for Gerald & Irene Barry given by Andrew Jack Barry

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays in July
from Noon-1pm at

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Ministry Schedule for July 9—10

4:00pm Lector—Martha Herron Eucharistic Minister—Bill Woronko

7:30am Lector—Regina Cannon Eucharistic Minister—Steve Batory

10:30am Lector—Maureen Litchman Eucharistic Minister—Bob Baur



30th Annual Memorial Golf Tournament: Friday, September 16, 2022

Did you receive your letter in the mail? If not, let us know! This event is a major fundraiser for OLV. Please consider putting together a foursome, being a hole sponsor, or volunteering to help on the committee. Ask your friends and the businesses that you frequent too!! We need your help to be successful this year. Basket Raffle tickets were also included in the mailing. Any questions or if you want more tickets, please contact us in the Parish Office.

Basket Raffle

THE BASKETS HAVE ARRIVED! We have received many great baskets so far...they are on display as you enter the front doors of the church. We can always use MORE!! Please consider donating some type of basket. You can place your ticket stubs in the buckets for the baskets you would like to win. Your payment can be mailed in, put in collection basket or given to any staff member. We can also sell you more tickets!!



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Special Summer Collection: Thank you!!! Additional families who have sent in donations this week: M/M George & Annette Appel, M/M Patrick & Sharon Lyons, Mrs. Sharon Britt-Hoch, M/M Francis & Tama Schmidt, M/M Peirce & Judy Hooper, Mr. Doug Nicol, M/M David & Jeanie Novis, M/M Peter & Marianne Cogan, Mr. Bruce Nutaitis, Ms. Rachel Coffee, Ms. Lori Tilger, Mrs. Anne White, Ms. Deborah Thompson, Mr. Marcus Georgetti, Mrs. Gertrude Dragon, Mrs. Lorraine Steinhauer. Extra envelopes and letters are available on the desk behind the last pew. We will accept donations to this collection throughout the summer.

ALTAR SERVERS & LECTORS: We encourage ALL youth of the parish to consider this ministry. Students in grades 3-12 are welcome to join. We will train you! All former servers are welcome to come back too. Those in grades 9-12 are encouraged to become lectors. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in either of these ministries. 570-639-1535

OLV CENTENNIAL 2023: WE ARE ONLY 2 MONTHS AWAY FROM THE START OF OUR CENTENNIAL YEAR OF CELEBRATION. ALL SUB-COMMITTEES SHOULD BE MEETING. WE WILL HOLD A GENERAL MEETING AGAIN SOON. STAY TUNED! CALL THE OFFICE TO JOIN A COMMITTEE NOW!

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Our Facebook Page: Gate of Heaven and Our Lady of Victory Website: <https://www.goholv.org>

Mass Schedule/Devotions for July 4 –10

Monday: July 4

NO Adoration, Rosary or Novena due to holiday

9:00am Mass Intention for Edward Gensel given by M/M Robert Hayes

Tuesday: July 5

4-5 pm Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: July 6

9:00am Mass Intention for Anne Lohin given by Family

9:30am Cenacle for the Marian Movement of Priests

6:00-7:00pm Eucharistic Adoration & Flame of Love Devotions

Thursday: July 7

10:30am Mass at Greenbriar: Intention for Michael Davis given by Nancy &

Friday: July 8

Pete Restaino

2:00-3:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday: July 9

Noon-1pm: Confessions

5:30pm Mass Intention for Harold G. Ruth given by Marlene & Frank Rollman

Sunday: July 10: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Mass Intention for John & Josephine Pavidus given by Mary Darling

3:00- 5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration



The Sacrament of Reconciliation

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MORAN & HAYES FAMILIES**

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Ministry Schedule for July 9—10

5:30pm Lector— Louise Roberts

Eucharistic Minister— Barbara Van Etten

9:00am Lector— Patty Price

Eucharistic Minister—Carol Carroll

The parish family of Gate of Heaven would like to extend its deepest prayers and condolences to the families of **MARGARET CARROLL & ELAINE HUDAK** who recently passed away. *May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*



The MEGA RAFFLE : TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!!

Mega Raffle ticket returns are coming in...Thank You for your support!

Tickets will continue to be sold until the day of the drawing: Sunday, July 17 at 1pm.



Calling all youth of Gate of Heaven! Youth ministry opportunities are available for all youth of our parish. Those in grades 3-12 are welcome to become Altar Servers and those in grades 9-12 are encouraged to become Lectors. We are also looking for Youth Choir members, ushers, and sacristans. Call the Parish Office at 570-675-2121 if interested!

The next Gate of Heaven fundraiser will be our Annual Meatloaf Dinner to be held in November. As part of this fundraiser, we will be doing a Basket Raffle. All interested in donating a basket should contact Carol at 570-675-2121. We will be displaying the baskets in the school lobby, as well as taking them to the Dallas Harvest Festival in September. The winners will be pulled at the Meatloaf Dinner. We would like to have the baskets ready by the end of July.

HAPPENINGS AT BOTH PARISHES THIS SUMMER



Vacation Bible School

We will be Disciples of Christ and Fishers of Men

When: July 18-July 22; 9am—11:30am

Where: Gate of Heaven Parish Center

Who: All students grades K-4

**Students in grades 5-12 are welcome to volunteer
as helpers for the week**

SIGN UP NOW!!!

Registration is required.

No fee to participate.

Donation of snacks or beverages is appreciated.

Register by calling either church office.

OLV: 570-639-1535 or GOH: 570-675-2121



Summer Music Camp at Gate of Heaven Church



JOIN US ON AN ADVENTURE AS WE SEARCH FOR HIDDEN TREASURE!

AGES 8 -15

JULY 25-29 FROM 9:30AM TO 11:30AM DAILY

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ON JULY 31ST AT 9:00AM

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Gate of Heaven & Our Lady of Victory Parish Picnic: Keep the date open:
Sunday, August 21st at Frances Slocum State Park. More information soon.
Contact Merry Ann Edwards at (570)881-5962 if you would like to help.

Looking for a Mass to attend?? Fr. Andrew has a monthly schedule of Masses at the local area nursing homes. He goes to Greenbriar, Meadows, Meadows Manor and Kadima (Lakeside). Father is looking for parishioners who would like to attend those Masses with him to help lead the prayer responses for the residents. It is not necessary, but you could even help him by doing the readings too! If you are available week-day mornings and would like to help out, please contact Renee at 570-639-1535. We are also looking for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to take Communion to Greenbriar and Lakeside on a regular basis. Please call Renee if interested.

Around the Diocese



The Back Mountain Library is in need of volunteers for their annual auction . Set up begins Sunday July 3rd and will also be on Tuesday and Wednesday July 5th and 6th. Thursday the 7th through Sunday the 10th the auction will run from 6:30 until they close. Volunteers are needed from 4:00 on every day. This is an excellent opportunity for students to get service hours for confirmation or their high schools or any group that they are involved in. Interested please contact the Back Mountain Library at 570-675-1182 or Wayne Williams at 570-696-1587.



Eucharistic Adoration will be held Thursday, July 7 at 7:00pm at St. Maria Goretti Parish, 42 Redwood Drive, Laflin. The event, sponsored by the Diocesan Offices for Parish Life and Vocations, will include praise and worship music, a dynamic talk, the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and a social. All are welcome to attend!

For more information, call 570-207-1452 or visit dioceseofscranton.org

Support our neighboring parish: Our Lady of Mount Carmel at Lake Silkworth, 2011 State Route 29, Hunlock Creek. **Summer Fest 2022** Rain or shine! Indoor Flea Market, Games, Baskets, Lots of Delicious Home-made Food! Friday, July 15 from 5-11pm with Flaxy Morgan and Saturday, July 16 from 5-11pm with the Lance Thomas Band

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training Session: Anyone interested in becoming an EM can take the following all-day training session this summer: **Saturday, July 16 from 9am-2:30pm** at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton. To register, call the Office of Parish Life at 570-207-2213. If you have any questions, you can contact Deacon John at GOH 570-675-2121 or Renee at OLV 570-639-1535. Please consider joining this wonderful ministry.



RETRouvaille WEEKEND FOR COUPLES AUGUST 19 - 21, 2022 AT THE TOWNSHIP SUITES, MOOSIC

Is your marriage going down the right road, or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, as can the challenges you face in marriage. If the distance between you seems wide, if you are looking for a better way, even if you are already separated, Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, rebuild intimacy, and heal - just as the team couples have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. For more information, contact our team @ 631-338-5413 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.org

Catholic Men's Conference "Be a Catholic Man" 2022 Event: October 8, 2022 more information to follow soon.

Planning Your Will?

Remember your parish! A bequest is a wonderful way to express gratitude to God for a lifetime of blessings! The gift you give establishes a lasting legacy of love for others by helping the Church to continue our Catholic heritage through its many ministries. Any questions, please contact Helen at helen.neylon@goholv.org.





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