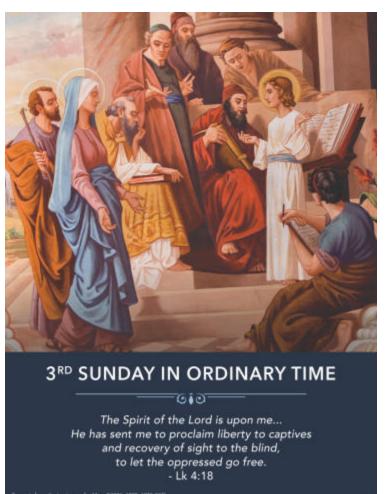
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January 23, 2022 — 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Times and Devotions

Daily Mass at OLV: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 12:15PM, Thursday at 8:30AM. No Monday Mass

Daily Monthly Mass at OLS: First Thursday of the Month at 12:15PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturdays from 3:00pm-4:00PM at OLV and Wednesdays after the 12:15PM Mass.

Weekend Mass Schedule at OLV:

Saturday 4:00PM Vigil Mass Sunday 8:15AM and

11:15AM (Family Mass, live streamed)

Weekend Mass at OLS: Sunday, 9:45AM

Baptism: Call the Parish Office to arrange for infant baptisms which take place on the first Sunday of every month after the 11:15AM Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass on Wednesdays until 5:00PM at OLV

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass on Thursdays at OLV

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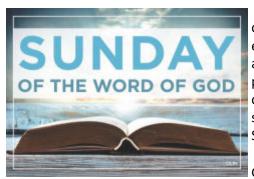




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From Father Tom Sunday of the Word of God

A few years ago, Pope Francis – in order to foster greater appreciation of the sacred Scriptures among Catholics – designated the Third Sunday in Ordinary time as the "Sunday of the Word of God." Therefore, the liturgies in OLS and OLV this weekend will, in a special way, celebrate this unique gift, the holy Bible, God's revealed Word, and the need for all believers to love and study the Scriptures and to embrace the truth contained in them.



The Pope's original document establishing this new focus is called "Aperuit Illis", published in September 2019. In it, he asks Catholic parishes throughout the world be united in the theme of their worship this weekend. He asked all to celebrate, study and disseminate the Word of God with particular emphasis on this day. This was something new! He was asking pastors, preachers, catechists and liturgists to put aside all other themes on this given Sunday and share the riches of "the Word" with Catholics in all parts of the world. (The first Sunday of the World of God took place on 26 January in 2020.)

The title of the papal document, "Aperuit Illis", is taken from St. Luke's Gospel, where the Evangelist describes how the Risen Jesus appeared to

his disciples, and how "he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures".[2] Francis issued this directive in consequence of his intention to set aside "a Sunday given over entirely to the Word of God, so as to appreciate the inexhaustible riches contained in that constant dialogue between the Lord and his people" which he first talked about right after his election as chief pastor of the universal church.

So this weekend, let's all focus on the Bible! We Catholics already know a great deal about it. From our childhood, we have been taught and guided by it's teachings, stories, parables and its spirit. Yet, it's riches are inexhaustible. In it's very center is the Person of Christ, whose birth, death and resurrection has saved us all. One could spend a whole lifetime

studying him, and still know very little. The good news is that we do have access to him here on earth in the sacred Scriptures, and we'll have an eternity to come to know him more deeply, and love him more deeply, face to face, in heaven.

WEEKLY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/ Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30 Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41 Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/ 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

Employment Opportunity

OLV parish is looking for a part-time custodian which might develop into a full-time position. If you or someone you know may be interested, please call the office.

10 Church Resolutions for the New Year

- 1. I will get settled in my pew at least five minutes before Mass begins and I'll leave Mass only after the priest has left the Church.
- 2. I'll turn off my cell phone before Mass and stop multitasking.
- 3. I will sit up closer to altar and listen more attentively to the prayers and Scripture readings.
- 4. I will speak quietly once I enter the church proper.
- 5. I will use the restroom before or after Mass (exceptions expected).
- 6. I'll sing the hymns at Church out loud and without fear.
- 7. I will spend quiet time in thanksgiving after receiving Holy Communion.
- 8. I'll bring my grandchildren to Mass when they are visiting.
- 9. I will attend Mass on Sundays even when I am away from the area.
- 10. I'll watch a live stream of the Mass when fear of contracting Covid19 forces me to stay home.



January 18th-25th, 2022 We are in the midst of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



The "Church Unity Octave" was be-WEEK OF PRAYER FOR gun in January 1908 when a group of Episcopalian nuns and an Episcopalian priest, met on a remote hillside fifty miles from New York City called "Graymoor", and decided to pray with intensity that the diverse Chris-

tian denominations separated after the Protestant Reformation would once again unite in faith and practice. Their meeting eventually caught the imagination of others and an energetic movement was born which blossomed into a worldwide effort to restore the unity of Christians. Over the years, this Unity Octave (also called "the Chair of Unity Octave") developed into the "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" which is now celebrated in Catholic and many Protestant churches throughout the world.

The two American Episcopalians who started the movement were Father Paul Wattson and Sister Lurana White, co-founders of the Franciscan Friars and Sisters of the Atonement. Eventually, both Fr. Paul and Mother Lurana entered the Catholic Church and brought their communities along with them. Their Order remains, to this day, committed to work for the reunion between Anglicans and Catholics as well as other denominations. They work and pray daily that "all may be one" -- that separated, Christians may once again be united in "one flock, one fold".

When Fr. Paul and Mother Lurana became Catholic, Pope Pius X gave his blessing to the Church Unity Octave in 1916 and Pope Benedict XV extended this observance to the universal Church. This recognition by the pope gave the Octave its impetus throughout the Roman Catholic Church. Until his death, Fr. Paul - today on his way to canonization - emphasized the fundamental importance of remaining united in one Church, under the chief shepherd of the Church, the Pope. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated every year from January 18-25.

After years of mutual mistrust and persecutions, Catholics today are fortunate that we live in an ecumenical age where there is no longer a great divide among Catholics, Protestants, Lutherans, Presbyterians, Evangelicals, etc. We are no longer walled up in defensive fear, unwilling to talk and interact with one another. One of the great graces of the Second Vatican Council is that it ushered in an "age of ecumenism" and "dialogue". However, though we work side by side with our separated brothers and sisters, though we share resources and prayer, there still exists fundamental differences in our practices and beliefs. Our "divisions" still center around issues relating to the place of the Bible in our lives, the controversy of "faith verses works", the importance of Tradition, the role of the Holy Father, the number of the Sacraments, the theology of the Holy Eucharist and priesthood, the role of the Blessed Virgin and the saints, and many moral teachings of the Church, such as abortion, contraception, homosexuality, celibacy for clergy, etc. These issues, among many, are far from resolved among Christians today.

So, there is work to be done in order for reunion to take place.

We pray this week, in a special way, that Christians will soon resolve these matters and reunite once again. We thank God for the work of the Vatican over these past decades in establishing permanent connection and dialogue with non-Catholic communities of faith. The path of reunion is still, for the most part, ahead-of-us. Our prayers and love will eventually show us the way.

Stewardship January 15th and January 16th

OLV & OLS Budgeted Weekly Offertory	\$8,461.00		
Offertory Collection OLV	\$6,728.00		
Offertory Collection OLS	\$860.00		
E-Giving weekly amount	\$1,870.00		
Total Collection	\$9,458.00		
Over Budget	\$997.00		
OLV & OLS Other Collections			
Debt Reduction	\$35.00		
Fuel and Heat	\$83.00		
Parish Needs	\$210.00		
Evangelist	\$233.00		
Maintenance & Grounds	\$5.00		
Total Other Collection	\$566.00		
Candles and Poor Box \$148.00			
2021-2022 Diocesan Appeal Assessment\$92,400 Total collected so farTBA			

Year-End Contribution Letters: If you would like to receive the year-end summary of your contributions to OLV-OLS please contact our parish office and our staff will gladly print out your letter.

Our Beloved Dead . . .

Rev. Fred Berardi | Charles Phillips | Jennifer Barnes

Mass Intentions for the Week **Our Lady of Victory**

Saturday	January 22 Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn
4:00 PM	Michael Manning and Michael Mulcahy by Family
	Ralph Cimino (Anniversary) by Daughter Carol
	Francis J. Wiley by Gloria Kieber
	Angela Gutierrez & Catherine and Frank Tavella

by Dr. Gutierrez

Sunday January 23 | Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:15 AM John Barna by Lasky Family

11:15 AM Paula Ligato by Magur Family Fred Case by Magur Family Catarina & Dominic Marra by Family

January 25 | 12:15 PM | St. Paul Tuesday Marissa Lombard by Family

Wednesday January 26 | 12:15 PM | St. Timothy and Titus

Ed LaPlante (Anniv and Birthday) by Mary Ellen and children

Thursday January 27 | 8:30 AM | Saints Angela Merici

Memorial Fund Members

Friday January 28 | 12:15 PM | St. Thomas Aquinas

Memorial Fund Members

Saturday January 29 I

4:00 PM Catherine Rocque by OLV Money Counters

David O'Brien by Theresa & Bob Danish Mary Lee Brown by Dr. Joe & Anne Prezio Edward Babyak by Tom & Carol Mahoney

Sunday January 30 | Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:15 AM Wayne Metsch by Sara & Doug Marx

11:15 AM Gladys Urquhart by OLV Staff George Brimmer by Wife Kate

Donald & Walt Shorkey (9th anniversary) by Shorkey Family

Our Lady of the Snow

Sunday Jan 23

9:45 AM The People of Our Lady of the Snow

Sunday Jan 30

9:45 AM The People of Our Lady of the Snow

Sunday Feb 6

> 9:45 AM Alison King by John and Julie Darling



OLV OLS FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

February 6th

Grades K-6 Sessions 9:45- 10:45 am **Grades 7-9 Sessions** 6:30 - 7:30 pm

February 9th (Wednesday)

Grade 2 First Eucharist Parent Meeting 7-8PM Education Center Rm. 116

February 13th

9:45-10:45 am **Grades K-6 Sessions**

February 12th & 13th

Grades 7-10 Superbowl of Caring Service at all OLV/OLS Masses No Evening Sessions on February 13th



Gr. 10 Confirmation Preparation

Wednesday, January 26 Parent & Candidate Meeting 7:00 -Parish Office Building

Sunday, January 30 Gr.10 Rite of Blessing @11:15 am Mass Candidates and Families OLV Church

Wednesday, February 2 Confirmation Immediate Prep Session 6:00 – 7:30 pm Parish Office Building

Camp Breakaway 2022

We are pleased to announce that registration for Camp Breakaway the premiere Catholic summer experience for middle and high school youth is now open!

Breakaway is open to all young people in grades 6-12 (Fall 2022) and is located at Pyramid Life Center.

Registrations fill up and fast and our early bird deadline is February 1st

Online registration is available at www.pyramidlife.org



Questions? contact Mary Eaton @ FaithFormation@olvols.org

Ministry Opportunities

OLV & OLS Youth Ministry's 11th Annual SouperBowl of Caring



February 12th & 13th **Before and After OLV/OLS Masses**

The "Souper Bowl of Caring" is a nationwide event, held on or near Super Bowl weekend, that challenges youth in participating churches and schools to recognize and respond to poverty and hunger in their local area, by collecting monetary and food donations to directly aid human service agencies of the participating agency's choosing.

Young people from our Youth Ministry will be collecting donations in the OLS and OLV Gathering Areas to benefit: **OLV/OLS Food Pantry**

Thank you, in advance, for your generous support!

Pastoral Council is in Need of New Members

Our Lady of Victory and Our Lady of the Snow Mission needs to select new members to serve on our Pastoral Council. Nomination forms will be placed in the pews on this weekend. Please consider nominating individuals who might serve on the Council, or consider nominating yourself. Individuals serving on the Council assist the pastor in his ministry here, they help to envision, evaluate and address the needs and goals of the parish. All this in the hope that becoming a faith-filled and joyful community, we might grow stronger as disciples and in our support for one another. Might you consider using your gifts and talents by serving on the Pastoral Council? (The Council meets once every month.)

List your nominees below and return it in the basket in the Gathering Area, drop it off at the Parish Office, or fax it to 273-0310 no later than January 24th.

Membership on the OLV/OLS Pastoral Council is comprised of registered parishioners with various years of membership in the Parish since their 18th birthday. Council members serve for a period of 3 years.

Three openings need to be filled for 2022. **Pastoral Council Nominations:**

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JANUARY 23, 2022 | 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Our Parish welcomes a new infant into our community of faith—

Macie McGrath

who were baptized recently in Our Lady of Victory Church. Congratulations to their families and godparents who brought them to the waters of life.

OLV EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM

Our preschool program is currently accepting Registrations for 2022—2023 school year! We have openings for 3 and 4 year olds with a dynamic curriculum educating the whole child! Visit our section on www.olvols.org under the HOME tab or please contact us at 518-274-6202 for information.



January 29th & 30th	Lector	Greeter	Altar Server	AV Minister	Ushers
Saturday 4:00 PM OLV	Ann Hansen Adrienne Villano	Donna Baker Michele Weiss	Doug Billingham	Fred Hemeon	John Dearborn Ray Gagnon
Sunday 8:15 AM OLV	Chuck Ciaccia Coleen Paratore	Laskey Family Maggie Rutolo	James Brennan	Rick Taglieri	Thomas Borowiak Michael DiNova
Sunday 9:45 AM OLS Mission	Alan Kennedy John Oliver	Jamie Meehan Marguerite Rose- burger	Noah Lowe		Joe Allain Toni Dolan Dave Huskie
Sunday 11:15 AM OLV	Peter Ogno, Jr Dan Walczyk	Jack Potter Noah Potter	Matthew Spain	Brianna Gettings	Darren Purcell Walt Talbot

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE January 23, 2022—The 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainly of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away. ©LPi

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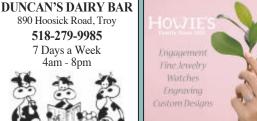
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