



# OUR LADY OF VICTORY

## Weekly School Newsletter

*Our Lady of Victory is a Catholic Parish School Dedicated to Living our Victory Values through Faith, Academics, and Service.  
Virtuous living + Intellectual growth + Christ-like behavior + Teamwork + Opportunities for service + Respect for all + Yes to Forgiveness*



### Picture Day

Picture Day is on **Thursday, September 21**. This is a dress up day for all students. Eighth grade boys traditionally wear a suit coat and tie and the girls wear a nice dress (no bear shoulders). Jeans may not be worn on this day. Nice shorts are allowed.

### High School Placement Test Prep

Students in the eighth grade are encouraged to attend the fall test prep sessions being offered here at OLV. The sessions are on Saturday, **September 30, October 7 and October 21, from 8:00-11:15 a.m.** The students will rotate through four 45-minute sessions for the the first two Saturdays. On the third Saturday, students will take a mock placement test. The cost is **\$100** for all three sessions (even if you cannot attend all of them). Please return the completed form (found online) along with your check by **September 22**.

### OLV Grade 7-8 Dance

The OLV Dads' Club will be hosting their first dance of the year on **Friday, September 15, from 7-10 p.m.**, in the School Gym. All students attending must register online and bring their preprinted ticket and signed parent confirmation.

### Next Week Events:

#### Monday, September 11

Grade 6 Mass at 8:30 a.m. before leaving for Camp

#### Tuesday, September 12

Grade 6 at Camp

Dads' Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m.,

#### Wednesday, September 13

**School Mass, 8:30 a.m.**

Mom's in Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m., Church

No School: Grade 6 ONLY

#### Thursday, September 14

PTO Meeting, 8:30 a.m., Library

#### Friday, September 15

Heritage Festival, 3rd grade field trip

Dads' Club Dance for Grade 7-8, 7:00 p.m., Gym

### Civic Concern Needs Our Help!

Civic Concern has let us know that they are in desperate need of paper products! So to help them out, OLV is having a paper drive for them next week. We are breaking it down by grade to make it easy and to make sure that they receive everything they need:

- **Grades 6 through 8: Toilet Paper**
- **Grades 3 through 5: Paper Towels**
- **Grades K through 2: Kleenex**

There will be a collection bin next to the podium at the front doors where donations can be dropped. Thank you, OLV Families!



**ALL WELCOME!**

### Our Lady of Victory Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 10, Cass Benton Park

11:30 a.m. Mass, followed by lunch and games until 3 p.m.

BurgerSpot is grilling this year!





## First PTO Meeting

**Thursday, September 14, 8:30 a.m.  
Media Center (Library)**

New this year, the PTO will host the monthly meeting on the second Thursday morning of each month. Please join at 8:30 a.m., in the school library. The annual events and activities will be discussed. All parents are welcome along with any siblings!



**All Moms welcome to attend OLV's  
Moms in Prayer Group**

Every Second Wednesday of the Month

**Wednesday, September 13, 9:30 a.m.**

**St. John XXIII Room**

Any questions, please contact Steffanie Porter at  
[steffn13@yahoo.com](mailto:steffn13@yahoo.com)

## OLV Dad's Club Meeting!

**Tuesday, September 12  
7:30 p.m., Dinner at 7 p.m., Cafeteria**

We talk over the latest OLV news, sports and FUNdraising activities while getting to know other dads at OLV. Also, come learn about volunteer activities that will qualify for school service hour requirements.

All OLV dads are welcome! As a dad of an OLV student, you are already a member of the Dad's Club. New OLV dads are encouraged to attend! Please come by and learn how you can participate in supporting the parish and school. We look forward to seeing you there! [www.olvathletics.com](http://www.olvathletics.com).

## OLV Dads' Club Annual Golf Outing

**Monday, September 25, 12:30 p.m.  
Four Person Shamble  
(\$250 per player)**



**Western Golf & Country Club, Redford, MI**

Fee includes golf, golf balls, lunch, dinner, open bar after golf, \$50 gift card. Prizes all day!

Register at [olvdadsclubgolfouting.golfgenius.com](http://olvdadsclubgolfouting.golfgenius.com).

Help make this an amazing fundraiser for OLV!

## Congratulations Mommy Mach! Baby Joshua Arrived This Week!

Joshua James Mach was born on Wednesday, September 6, at 12:38 a.m., weighing 6 pounds, 2 ounces, and measuring 20 1/2 inches long. Joshua and Mom are doing great! They are feeling very blessed and overjoyed and appreciate all of your prayers and support!



## CougarBOTS Family Meeting Wednesday, September 20, 6-8 p.m.

If you're interested in learning more about the OLV Robotics program, please join us in the school computer lab (aka Robolab), in the lower level near Victory Hall for an informational meeting. Any student in grades 4-8, may join the OLV CougarBOTS. **We will meet every Wednesday, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Robolab.** The program fee is \$75 for the school year.

Topics of discussion:

- Informational Meeting for Parents
- Introduction for new CougarBOTS
- Planning session with existing CougarBOTS
- Parental Help and Coaching Needed!!

If you have questions, please contact Karen Martin at [KarenMartin48167@comcast.net](mailto:KarenMartin48167@comcast.net).



## Celebrating Our Faith

by Mary Ellen Skene, Faith Formation Director

As we begin a new school year and look toward the change of season and all that fall brings, we cannot help but reflect upon the many blessings each of us has been given to enjoy and share with others. The art of being grateful however, is a learned one and begins in the home with the example of parents when they give thanks themselves for the smallest of favors and teach their children to do the same.

Pope Francis is able to offer us some wise words as to the art of being thankful! "To be able to offer thanks, to be able to praise the Lord for what He has done for us: this is important!" Ask yourself...Are we capable of saying, "Thank you"? How many times do we say, "Thank you" in our family, our community, and in the Church? How many times do we say, "Thank you" to those who help us, to those close to us, to those who accompany us through life?

As you start new schedules and routines why not renew the habit of saying please and thank you for all things done for each other at home, school, even with strangers who have shown kindnesses? Don't forget to show gratefulness to our Lord as well! You can do so before eating, at bed time, after good news, a successful test, etc. Lovingly learn how to remind each other when it is forgotten and praise each other when it is remembered. Gratefulness is reciprocal. It brings blessings to the person who expresses it and the one for which it is noted.

While you are being grateful, remember those who struggle especially the individuals and families who will suffer from the effects of Hurricane Irma or are piecing together that which has been shattered by Hurricane Harvey. Ask our Lord to help them know of his love through the hearts, hands and voices of those sent to answer their call for help. As a family talk about how you can show gratitude by contributing to relief efforts. While no one may give you a personal thank you for your help, it will be noted by our Lord who has taught that the least thing done for another was done for him! Make this another brick on your road to family holiness!

God's Blessings!

### Join OLV's Health & Wellness Ministry

The ministry includes all parishioners interested in promoting physical, mental, social and spiritual health. We assist both the school and church by educating, advocating and facilitating referrals and events for those who wish to live life to the fullest.

We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., during the school year. Meetings are held in the Catherine McAuley room at the church. The time commitment is small but the impact is immeasurable!

If you are unable to attend monthly meetings, but willing to assist on occasion, we would still love to have you join us!

For more information, please contact Molly Griffin, Health & Wellness Coordinator at [mollygriffin@pobox.com](mailto:mollygriffin@pobox.com).



### OLV Children's Choir

Want to Be a Part of the OLV Children's Choir?

**Come to REHEARSAL!**

Children's Choir

Second Grade and older

Thursdays, 4:00-5:00 p.m. Church

To bridge the time between the end of school and the beginning of rehearsal, the Music Director will meet the children in the school parking lot and take them to the Fr. Ernie center so they can have a snack, do homework or read.

The choir sings at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on the third Sunday of the month. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact the Music Ministry office.

Kathy Sanderson, Music Director  
[olvmusic@olvnorthville.net](mailto:olvmusic@olvnorthville.net), (248) 349-2621, ext. 2261

### Upcoming Parish Events

**On the Rise Bakery: September 16-17**

Purchase a baked good after all Masses from the members of R.O.P.E.

**OLV Blood Drive: September 24**

Visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org), sponsor code: **OLVC**



# OLV CYO SPORTS UPDATE

## OLV SPORTS WEEKEND SCHEDULE

([www.olvathletics.com](http://www.olvathletics.com))

### OLV Football vs. St. Edith

**Friday, September 8, at CC Fields**

**FRIDAY NIGHT Under the LIGHTS!**

5:30 p.m.: JV

7:30 p.m.: Varsity

### OLV Volleyball

**Friday, September 8, Away**

6:00 p.m.: JV3 vs. St. Patrick

6:45 p.m.: Varsity3 vs. St. Joan Arc

7 p.m.: JV1/Varsity2 vs. St. Patrick

8:00 p.m.: JV2/Varsity1 vs. St. Patrick

**Saturday, September 9, at OLV**

10 a.m.: JV2 vs. St. James

11 a.m.: JV1 vs. St. James

Noon: Varsity3 vs. OLG

1 p.m.: Varsity2 vs. OLG

2:00 p.m.: Varsity1 vs. St. James

**Sunday, September 10, Away**

12:15 p.m.: JV3 vs. St. Joan Arc

1:30 p.m.: JV2 vs. St. Joan Arc

2:45 p.m.: Varsity2 vs. St. Joan Arc

4:00 p.m.: Varsity3 vs. St. Sebastian

4:15: Varsity1 vs. St. Joan Arc

### OLV Cross Country

**Saturday, September 9, 10:45 a.m.**

UDM Invitational at Cass Benton Park

**Come Cheer them to VICTORY!!**



## OLV Basketball Registration is now OPEN for all Students in Grades 4-8!

The 2017-18 season runs from October 30 through March 10. Generally, practices are 3-4 times/week plus games on Saturday and Sunday.

Due to the high demand and amount of pre-season preparation needed, **registration will close on SEPTEMBER 30.** Late registrations will be placed on a waitlist. Do not DELAY! To register, visit [www.OLVAthletics.com](http://www.OLVAthletics.com), and click on the **PLAYER/COACH REGISTRATION** tab. Online payment (only) is due at the time of registration. Sports Physicals (dated after April 15, 2017) along with the full registration payment must be submitted prior to the first practice.

Coaching applications will be accepted for Basketball through September 30 by visiting [www.olvathletics.com](http://www.olvathletics.com). Whether you can volunteer your time as a Head or Assistant Coach, please know that our program could not be successful without you. Thank you for your support!

- Dan Gutowsky, Athletic Director

## - OLV Help Want Ad -

### Part Time Custodian

OLV Parish is seeking a part time (15-19 hrs/week) **Custodian** for afternoons and evenings at our school. The custodian is responsible for performing the day-to-day cleaning activities in the school building to provide a clean, orderly and safe environment. Some janitorial experience is preferred. Contact the Parish Office for an application or send your resume to [olvoffice@olvnorthville.net](mailto:olvoffice@olvnorthville.net).



### Part Time Latchkey Supervisor

We are seeking a qualified individual to supervise young students after school in our expanding Latchkey program. We would need someone who can work **Wednesdays and Fridays from 3:30-6:00 p.m.**, for the 2017-2018 school year.

The applicant must be 18 years old, pass a background check, and have completed or be willing to attend a Protecting God's Children Workshop and have First Aid/CPR Training. (If you have school-aged children, they can attend latchkey with you while you work at no cost.) Please contact the ESP Director, Ruth Scaramucci at [rsaramucci@olvnorthville.net](mailto:rsaramucci@olvnorthville.net), if you or someone you know is interested.

