



# 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*

### 2017 Christmas Program

Due to the snow day, the Christmas program has been moved to **Tuesday, December 19**, in the gymnasium. There will be a matinee program at 1:30 p.m. and the evening program at 6:30 p.m. Please bring extended family members to the afternoon program where more seats will be available.

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Tuesday is a Faith Formation night, so all school families **MUST** park in the church parking lot. Faith Formation students will be dismissing and using the school parking lot between 5:55-6:10 p.m. All school families **MUST** enter the building through the gym doors.

**Doors will not be open until 6:00 p.m. for students and families.** Band students will report to the cafeteria, grades 3-5 should report to their classrooms, and the k-2 students will report to the grade 3-5 hallway. Once all Faith Formation students have completely dismissed, about 6:10 p.m., we will move k-2 students to their classrooms. Main school doors will open at 6:15 p.m. The school parking lot will also be available after 6:15 p.m. for families to park. Thank you for your help!

#### **What to Wear?**

**Boys:** Dress shirt and tie, slacks, dress shoes ("Sunday's Best")

**Girls:** Nice Christmas Dresses, keep in mind that lighter colors may make faces "white out" on camera with the lighting.

#### **Pick-up Procedure After the Concert?**

For safety reasons, please meet your child at their homeroom after the performance. Band students will meet parents in Victory Hall.

#### **Ordering a High-Definition DVD of the Performance?**

An high definition DVD of the event will be made. Pre-order forms are available on page 2. The cost is \$15. A portion of the proceeds goes to help fund the music program.

**Next semester's Recess and Lunch signup** will open on Monday, December 18. Remember that this year's Service Hour program only requires 4 days of recess or lunch volunteer service per year (2 in each semester).

### Next Week's Events:

**Sunday, December 17**

#### **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Breakfast with Santa  
Robotics Annual Christmas Parade

**Monday, December 18**

Middle School Field Trip  
Semester II Recess/Lunch Sign-up Open

**Tuesday, December 19**

Christmas Program, 1:30 and 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, December 20**

School Mass, 8:30 a.m., Church  
Teacher & Staff Luncheon  
Last day to Register for JGB

**December 21-January 3, 2018**

No School: Christmas Break

**Thursday, January 4**

Students return to school  
Spirit Day

Please return your **Auction donation** to the school office by **Monday, December 18**

### **Last Call for Junior Great Books!**

#### **2017-18 Registration Closes December 20**

Do not delay! Visit the school website for **online registration** –sign up your student now. The program will run for 7 weeks beginning in **January**. For more information about the program, click the **JGB Link** or visit [www.olvnorthville.org](http://www.olvnorthville.org) and go to the School tab.

There are a few used books still available for students in grade 2 on the Lost & Found table outside the school office.



If you have any questions, please contact a chairperson, Jen Lampi, [jenifer.h.lampi@accenture.com](mailto:jenifer.h.lampi@accenture.com) or Renee Pelon, [renee.pelon@gmail.com](mailto:renee.pelon@gmail.com).



**OLV's Annual Fun Fair**

**Friday, February 2  
5:30-8:30 p.m.**

Planning for the OLV Fun Fair has begun! Volunteers are needed for all areas: Setup, Game/Booth attendants, Cafeteria help, and tear-down after the fair. Please sign-up at [signup.com/go/MQnLuOn](http://signup.com/go/MQnLuOn) to make this Fun Fair a huge success for our kids!

**Library Birthday Club!**

Welcome to the OLV Birthday Club: Julia Penrice, Anakin Gesch, Lucas Retzbach, Chloe Retzbach, Liam Marinelli, Jameson Walsh and Rowan Tindell. Happy Birthday! Hope you will enjoy your special book. Birthday books from October and November should now be returned to the Library/Media Center. Thank you for helping to build our Library collection. Christmas blessings to all our OLV families!

-Mrs. Valerie Ayotte, Children's Librarian

**Celebrating Our Faith**

by Mary Ellen Skene, Faith Formation Director

As we eagerly await our Christmas celebrations, we reflect upon the wondrous reality of the presence of our God in and throughout our daily lives. Because of Him, we find great hope in every challenge we meet for with God nothing is impossible, and joy knowing he shares in the laughter and love of every special moment we share with our family and friends.

May you and your family hear the song of His angels, and see the brilliance of His star. Like those who so long ago shared in the experience of that first Christmas may you find Christ more deeply in your heart, and dedicate yourself once again to be him to others. Let this Christmas reflection serve as a prayer and lead you to the heart of the season!

**A Christmas Reflection**

*When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone, when the kings and priest are home, when the shepherds are back with their flocks...*

*The work of Christmas begins...*

*To find the lost, to heal the broken, to feed the hungry, to release the prisoner, to rebuild the nations, to bring peace among peoples...*

*To make music in the heart!!*

*(Text adapted from "The Mood of Christmas and Other Celebrations" by Howard Thurman)*

May you find his peace today and always!

**2017**

**Christmas Performance DVD**

**PRE-ORDER FORM—\$15 Each**

Reserve your copy by February 1, 2018

STUDENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

HOMEROOM/TEACHER \_\_\_\_\_

QUANTITY \_\_\_\_\_

CIRCLE ONE: **CASH**      **CHECK**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO OUR LADY OF VICTORY SCHOOL**

*A high-definition video and audio recording will be made of the concert by CV Media, an award-winning, Northville-based Video Production company (check them out at [www.cvmedia.com](http://www.cvmedia.com)). CV Media is a high-end producer of tape-to-digital media, taking old videotapes and turning them into modern digital video, as well as commercial and tutorial videos for corporate clients.*

*This will be an outstanding quality keepsake of our performance this year!*



**OLV Teachers and Staff  
Wish You and Your Family a  
Very Merry Christmas & Happy New  
Year!**

**See you in 2018**



### OLV Holiday Mass Schedule

#### Sunday, December 24 Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. with Fr. Wheeler  
4:15 p.m. (Gym) with Fr. Denis Theroux  
6:00 p.m. with Fr. Denis Theroux  
10:30 p.m. with Fr. Denis Theroux

#### Monday, December 25 Christmas Day

9:30 a.m. with Fr. Denis Theroux  
11:30 a.m. with Fr. Wheeler

#### Monday, January 1 New Year's Day

9:30 a.m. with Fr. Denis Theroux

#### Parish Office Closed

Friday, December 22, at noon  
Monday, December 25-Tuesday, December 26  
Friday, December 29-Tuesday, January 2



### Robotics Christmas Parade Sunday, December 17 After 9:30 a.m. Mass

Bring your family to the **Dads Club's BREAKFAST with SANTA** and witness the annual CougarBOTS Autonomous Robotics Parade! The OLV Robotics team has designed, built and programmed 11 Christmas-themed Robotic Floats. Each float contains at least 1 gear driven moving feature and will be pulled autonomously by a student programmed robot. These will be running on a track in the Father Ernie Center during the Dad's Club Santa Breakfast—after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. The Fall Season Robotics Team has 23 student engineers in grades 4-6. See you there!

### DADS' CLUB CORNER

#### Upcoming Events & News

- If you would like to be added to the OLV Dads' Club's email list, please send an email to [olvdadsclubsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:olvdadsclubsecretary@gmail.com).
- Website: [www.olvathletics.com](http://www.olvathletics.com)

### OLV Christmas Decorators Wanted!

Dads' Club is looking for volunteers to help decorate OLV for Christmas. This is a fun family event! The schedule is below. Sign up today: <http://signup.com/go/FcCtWrY>.

- Saturday, December 16, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m
- Saturday, December 23, 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m
- Saturday, January 6, 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.



OLV Dads' Club to Host  
**Breakfast with Santa**  
Sunday, December 17  
after all Masses

Fr. Ernie Center

Enjoy a pancake breakfast!  
Get your photo taken with  
Santa!



### OLV Quiz Night 2018

Saturday, January 20th  
OLV Gym  
Doors open at 6:00 PM  
Main competition begins at  
7:00 PM

➔ Tickets \$40/person and includes pizzas, salads, subs, snacks, desserts, coffee, beer, wine & pop

Reservations are now open for this year's most popular event: The 16th annual OLV Quiz Night. **NOTE: This event sells out quickly every year, so get your table today!**

Teams, of 8-10 adults per table, pool their knowledge to answer questions. There is one answer per table, per team, submitted for scoring. Trivia questions are based on a variety of topics! Remember to dress and decorate your table in a TV SHOW theme...prizes to the BEST TWO TABLES

Register on-line  
At  
[www.olvathletics.com](http://www.olvathletics.com)

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