



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

School Registration Deadline

You should have received the 2018-19 registration forms. To reserve your seat for next year, please return a non-refundable check for your family's registration fee (\$300) and paperwork by **Friday, March 23**.

Science Fair Submissions Due

This is the "last call" for OLV Science Fair Project submissions. Information packets can be found in the School Office under the stained glass. Please submit the completed packet to the office by **Wednesday, March 28**.

Special Mass for OLV Dads

Wednesday, March 21, 8:30 a.m., Church

In honor of St. Joseph's Day, OLV will have a special School Mass honoring our Fathers on Wednesday, March 21, at 8:30 a.m., in the church. After Mass, Dads are welcome to join their student(s) in the classroom for a short activity. Thank you OLV Dads!

Grade 2 Selling Bookmarks

Thursday, March 22-23, all lunch hours

The bookmarks will be made by all grade 2 students and sold for 25 cents a piece. The sale will take place during the three lunch periods on Thursday, March 22 and possibly the 23rd, if there are any bookmarks left to sell. The money raised will go to OLV's St. Vincent de Paul Society

Lost & Found

Please stop by the Lost & Found table outside the office to see if your student's lost coat, hat, glove, book, bag, etc. is waiting to be claimed. Any item left on the table will be donated come Easter Break. Also, an Infinity vehicle key fob was found outside near the Cafeteria doors.

Next Week's Events:

Sunday, March 18: Fourth Sunday of Lent

On the Rise Bakery Sales after all Masses
Communal Reconciliation, 7 p.m., Church
Last day to order OLV Spirit wear (see page 3)

Monday, March 19

SPRING FOOD DRIVE BEGINS (see page 2)

Tuesday, March 20

Middle School Seder Meal, 10:15 a.m., Fr. Ernie

Wednesday, March 21

OLV Dads' School Mass, 8:30 a.m., Church
Spring Showcase Auditions, 3:45 p.m., Victory Hall

Thursday, March 22

Grade 2 Selling Bookmarks @ lunch
Grade 5 Wax Museum, 2 p.m., Gym
Grade 7 Washington D.C. Parent Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Middle School Info Night, 7 p.m., Victory Hall

Friday, March 23 : End of 3rd Quarter

2018-19 Registration Forms due



WIN FREE TUITION FOR ONE STUDENT FOR 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR ONLY 100 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!

- Tickets are \$100 each and will be sold at school after the Dads' Mass on Wednesday, **March 21**.
- Or Reserve Your Tuition Raffle Ticket Online at ourladyofvictory.maestroweb.com.
- Sign in and click on "Merchandise."
- From the drop down menu, choose "Tuition Giveaway Chance."
- If paying by **CHECK**: Choose Check option from Payment Method drop down. Send in check in backpack mail next day in an envelope labeled "Tuition Raffle". Once check is received, a physical Ticket Stub will be sent home via backpack mail.
- If paying by **CREDIT**: Choose Credit Card type from Payment Method drop down. A physical Ticket Stub will be sent home via backpack mail.

1 Lucky Winner will be drawn the night of the Auction. Winner need not be present to win.

**NORTHVILLE CIVIC CONCERN SPRING FOOD DRIVE CHALLENGE
MONDAY, MARCH 19-FRIDAY, MARCH 23**

Northville Civic Concern needs our help for local families. All next week, we are collecting the following items separated out by grade. Prizes will be awarded at the grade level. Thank you for your support!

- **Grade K:** Jars of peanut butter (no larger than 20 oz jars)
- **Grade 1:** Jars of strawberry jelly (no larger than 20 oz jars)
- **Grade 2:** Cans of fruit, any variety (no larger than 20 oz cans)
- **Grade 3:** Boxes of crackers, any variety (Ritz, saltine, club, etc.)
- **Grades 4 & 5:** Cans of meat (chicken or tuna) (no larger than 20 oz cans)
- **Grade 6:** Small boxes/containers of powder or liquid laundry detergent (no pods, no larger than 40 oz containers)
- **Grades 7 & 8:** Paper towels (A pack of 24 paper towels counts as one item. Items need to be individually packaged and small enough for ease of distribution).

Benchmarks for prizes:

- 25 items: K-5 dress down; 6-8 Victory Award for everyone in class
- 50 items: K-5 Bubble and Chalk Extra Recess; 6-8 dress down day
- 100 items: Entered into a raffle, one class will receive a deluxe pizza party (pizza, bread, treats, and drinks)

If anyone would like to send in monetary donations for Northville Civic Concern, gift cards will be purchased. Any checks should be made payable to: *Northville Civic Concern*. If you have questions, please contact the School Office.

**Sign up to Audition for the Spring Showcase!
Wednesday, March 21, starting at 3:45 p.m., Victory hall**

Go to: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0A4AACAE2FA3F49-spring2

GOOD LUCK OLV HONOR CHOIR!

The 2018 Michigan All-State Elementary Honors Choir, hosted by the Michigan Music Educators Association will perform at Grand Ledge High School this Saturday, March 17. Over 150 students from all over Michigan were chosen in November for a chance to perform as a group.

Congratulations to **Paige Bishoff, Gabriella Lemanski, Megan Lauster, Grace Eliya, Samantha Wheeler, Alexis Hazamy, and Molly Olezkowicz** on this incredible feat!



Saint Catherine of Siena Academy Presents a Broadway Musical Revue:

“THIS GIRL’S LIFE”

Friday, March 16, 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 17, at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 18, at 2:00 p.m.

\$10 general admission (children 5 and under free). Tickets available at the door.

17 of our elementary students are in the show. Come out and support them!



OLV Spirit Wear Store Closes at Midnight on Sunday!

Shop the Spring Under Armour Collection

Visit KTforms.com by March 18.

- Use Access Code: **OLOVATH18**
- Select and Add Merchandise to cart.
- Click CHECKOUT.
- Register as a New User or Login with past credentials.

Orders will be processed and shipped 3-4 weeks after March 18.

OLV Spring 2018 Flag Football Registration Now Open

The program is offered to both boys and girls who are currently in grades K-1 and 2-3. The season is planned to begin the weekend of April 15. Games will be April 22, 29, and May 6, 13 for the regular season. Playoff weekend tournament will be May 19-20. Games will primarily be held at Catholic Central H.S. with a potential for a crossover game at Brother Rice H.S. Visit www.OLVAthletics.com to register today! If you are interested in coaching, please complete an online coaching application.



OLV DADS' CLUB CORNER

Upcoming Events & News www.olvathletics.com

•**7th and 8th Grade Dance: Friday, March 16, 7-10 p.m., OLV Gym.** Volunteers needed!

•If you would like to stay up to date on all of the OLV Dads' Club's news and events, please send an email to olvdadsclubsecretary@gmail.com to be **added to our email distribution list**.

OLV CYO FALL SPORTS REGISTRATION Open through June 30, 2018

All OLV school students (grade 3-8) are eligible to participate in OLV's CYO sports program. Open registration is for **Football, Cross Country, Cheer, and Volleyball**. To see the age specifications for each sport and to register, please visit the registration tab at www.OLVAthletics.com.

If you are interested in coaching any of these sports, please read the Coaches Information requirements on the left menu at www.OLVAthletics.com and apply online under the Player-Coach Registration. Coaching positions are assigned on an annual basis.



Library Birthday Club!

Welcome to the *OLV Birthday Club*: Kaitlyn Marinelli, Addie Baker, A. J.

Palushaji, Eileen Cooney and Regan Faut.

Happy Birthday! Hope you will enjoy your special book. Stop by the Library and take a look at the photos of our Birthday Club members! Thank you to all the families who participate in this program!

-Mrs. Valerie Ayotte, Children's Librarian

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Celebrating Our Faith | by Mary Ellen Skene, Director Faith Formation

This past week 107 Eighth graders from OLV parish came before Bishop Gerard Battersby for the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation.

During his homily the bishop reminded them that the work of the disciple is to stay close to Jesus. We will let go of many things in our lives he told them, but Jesus should never be one of them! He is our friend and through that friendship we will find all that we need to take on life's challenges. His invitation was to stay connected with our Lord and to go out into the world helping others find the love our Lord shares with us.

Pope Francis in remarks made at the Papal Mass at Santa Marta this past week echoed the Bishop's thoughts and issued his own challenge. In his reflection he told those assembled that we can all ask ourselves the question "What do I really desire? Do I really desire God, and seek to be with Him?" He concluded his homily with the invitation to desire that deeper relationship and to "Go forward a little bit, take risks. The true Christian takes risks, he goes out of his comfort zone!"

It is a tenet of our faith that we are never alone. Jesus is with us always ready before we are to take on each and every task we are asked to take do. We pray that our young people will tap into this life giving relationship and with the power of the Holy Spirit continue to grow in faith. Most importantly, we hope that they will find the courage and strength to move beyond their hesitation and find that they can do anything with Jesus at their side!

We look forward to all the gifts they will continue to bring to OLV and thank God for the work he has begun in them.

God's Blessings this weekend! Mary Ellen



First Communion Collection: Suits, Dresses and Shoes

Please consider donating new or cleaned but gently used First Communion dresses, veils, suits, ties and shoes for children in the Detroit area parishes who would otherwise go without one. Many parents are struggling financially and purchasing such items can be almost impossible.

If purchasing new items, please consider sizes 8, 10 or 12. The need is great. All outfits can be hung on the clothing rack in the Church's Gathering Space or brought to the School Office

and must be in by **March 25**.

Our Lady of Victory Parish to host its **Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

Saturday, March 31, Noon

All children ages 2-10 years old welcome!

Please park in the church parking lot and meet near the side of the Parish Office. Look for the **Easter Bunny** sign. The hunt starts promptly at noon.



Communal Reconciliation Service

Sunday, March 18, 7:00 p.m.

OLV Church

On Sunday, March 18, at 7:00 p.m., we will celebrate God's mercy and forgiveness through a communal prayer service, and then will have the opportunity to experience private reconciliation. There will be a number of priests present to assist with the individual confessions. This is an opportunity to know in a very tangible way the mercy of God.