



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*

Summer Enrichment Classes

Registration Deadline is April 18

All students are welcome to register for OLV's Summer Enrichment classes! The deadline is April 18. Please [click here for the online version of the class list](#) or go to the end of the newsletter.

School Registration Deadline

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

Thank You OLV Families

Thanks to the generosity of our families, Northville's Civic Concern Spring Food Drive was a great success! All of the jars, boxes and cans of food, paper towels and laundry soap were delivered this morning. Thank you students for your support of our local families!



Upcoming Events:

Sunday, March 25: Palm Sunday

Cantata: "Once Upon a Tree", 7:00 p.m., Church

Monday, March 26

Tuesday, March 27

Career Day (grade 6-8), 9 a.m., Lower Level

Wednesday, March 28

Last Day for Science Fair Submissions
Quarter 3 Report Cards/Grades Released

Thursday, March 29- Sunday, April 8

EASTER BREAK

Monday, April 9

Classes Resume
Grade 3: Mackinac Island Presentation

Tuesday, April 10

Dads' Club Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Cafeteria

Wednesday, April 11

School Mass, 8:30 a.m., Church
Moms in Prayer, 9:30 a.m., John XXIII
SAC Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Library

Thursday, April 12

PTO Meeting, 8:30 a.m., Library
OLV Spirit Day

Saturday, April 14

OLV School Auction

GRADE 2 STUDENTS HELP THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The second grade students (*pictured right*) hand made bookmarks that they sold to the OLV students during all three lunch periods on Thursday. The students sold all of their bookmarks in one day! They raised **\$79.60** and donated it to OLV's St. Vincent de Paul Society.





FAREWELL MRS. PAKULA

Mrs. Jane Pakula has been the school's Library Specialist since the beginning of the school year. She recently found out that she is going to be Grandma and wants to spend time with her expanding family on the east coast. Her and her husband plan to move there after the Easter Break. Mrs. Pakula's last day is next Wednesday, March 28. Stop in and wish her Good Luck!

Mrs. Ayotte will be back after the Easter Break as the school's Librarian. She will remain in this position until the end of this school year.



Library Birthday Club!

Welcome to the *OLV Birthday Club*: Paige Bishoff, Grant Lark, and Ava Uptergrove. Happy Birthday! Hope you will enjoy your special book. The Birthday Club photo gallery is quickly filling up the wall space by the Library entrance! Come take a look at our smiling birthday students. Wishing you all Easter Blessings.

2018 Battle of the Books Results

Our six Battle teams had a great night of fun on March 14, at Norhville High School. We had two teams place in the top ten. Congratulations to the team *The Secret Service* who once again placed 4th in the competition. Way to go **Eve Martin, Ava Camaj, Maggie Newell, Kiersten Hein, Lauren Mullan and Emily Kuebler**. Our other 7th grade team *The Mind Flayers* did well also-coming in 8th place. Great job- **Adele Jones, Mikaela Williams, Devyn McGow and Caroline Butcher**. Many of our students received raffle prizes which were given out throughout the night. Our 6th grade team (Break Dancing Bookworms) even won a prize in the best costume category (**Julie Castillo, Amelia Lampi, Morgan Sarafa, Victoria Thompson, Grace Eliya and Joey McQuaid**). The Northville Public Library does a fantastic job organizing this event. All of our students who participate have a wonderful time every year represent our school well.

Keep Reading Cougars!

-Mrs. Valerie Ayotte, Children's Librarian

HELP WANTED: OLV SCHOOL LATCHKEY SUPERVISOR

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School is seeking a qualified person to supervise young students, after school, in our expanding LatchKey program. We need someone who can work **EVERY** Monday through Friday, from 3:30-6:00 p.m., during the 2018-2019 school year.



The applicant must be a minimum of 18 years of age, and will need to have completed a background check, a Protecting God's Children Workshop and a First Aid/CPR Training course. Any parent at the school who is interested in this position, may have their children in the LatchKey Program with them at no cost.

This is an hourly position with a maximum of 12.5 hours per week. If you or someone you know is interested in applying, please contact Ruth Scaramucci at rscaramucci@olvnorthville.net.

OLV's combined grade 7-8 bands traveled to Belleville High School for the 6th Annual Michigan Music Educators Association (MMEA) Band Festival, last Friday, March 16.

The students prepared three pieces for the festival, and were able to perform in Belleville's beautiful auditorium. 3 judges made commentary recordings, as well as written comments to assist the band in preparing their music for this April's performance at Music in the Parks, in Cincinnati. The judges were David Armbruster, former director at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park High School, Doug Bianchi, Director of Bands at Wayne State University, and Dr. Lisa Martin, Assistant Professor of Music Education from Bowling Green State University.



After the performance, Dr. Martin worked with the band for a brief time on an area where she felt the band could improve. Students in the band were very responsive to the comments. Afterward, the OLV students were able to hear the performance of a middle school band from the Romulus Community Schools.

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.



OLV DADS' CLUB CORNER

Upcoming Events & News www.olvathletics.com

- Next Dads' Club Meeting, Tuesday, April 10, 7:30 p.m., Cafeteria
- **7th and 8th Grade Dance: Friday, April 20, 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 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 CYO FALL SPORTS REGISTRATION

Open through June 30

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.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

**8TH ANNUAL OLV VICTORY 5K AND FUN RUN
SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 2018**

The run will start and finish at Our Lady of Victory School. We are proud to announce the run will officially be renamed, **Sean English OLV Victory Run!** The English family remain dedicated to OLV. We are honored to recognize their continuation of living all the guiding principles OLV endeavors to instill in current students.

Join us as our community promotes health and fitness while supporting the Sean English Fund and OLV School. If you have any questions or are interested in sponsoring or volunteering the race, please contact ourladyofvictoryrun@gmail.com. See you at the starting line!

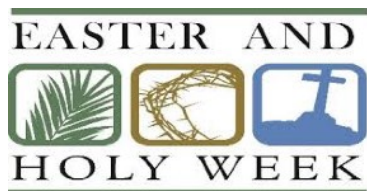
Celebrating Our Faith | by Mary Ellen Skene, Director Faith Formation

Next week is Holy Week and provides for us as Catholics the opportunity to remember and celebrate through ritual, readings, and song the dearest life giving beliefs of our faith. Encompassed in this week is the Sacred Triduum which includes the days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil.

On Holy Thursday we remember Jesus washing the feet of his disciples and the giving to us of his true presence in the Eucharist. After this special mass, we gather together in the Fr. Ernie Center which is made into the Garden of Gethsemane so that we might spend a few moments in prayer with our Lord in remembrance of his night of agony as his prayer led him to willingly accept the cross. Our journey continues on Good Friday as we observe the walk to Calvary and revere the cross as the place where Jesus' love abounded for us. We leave in silence on this day so that we may let that love seep into our hearts. The next night we gather for the Easter Vigil. Beginning the Mass in darkness, we light the new fire signaling the end of our Lenten fast and the beginning of our celebration of Christ's victory over death. It is at this Mass that we witness for those who have spent a year in preparation the sacraments of Initiation and renew our own Baptismal promises.

Join us for all or part of the Holy Week observances. Allow your children to experience our faith in Jesus in ways that take you through the rest of the year! May your awareness of God's blessings abound during this most sacred time. If you are out of town for Holy Week and Easter please check out the available churches in your area for services. Children love visiting other churches and find it fascinating to observe how we as Catholics can fit in no matter where we go! If you are traveling, go to www.masstimes.org to find a church closest to you.

May His peace always be with you! Mary Ellen



OLV SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday, March 25

7:00 p.m. Cantata "Once Upon a Tree"

Holy Thursday, March 29

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

8:00 p.m. Adoration

10:45 p.m. Closing Prayer

Good Friday, March 30

12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

1:00 p.m. Liturgy

Holy Saturday, March 31

11:00 a.m. Blessing of the Food Baskets

12:00 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt

8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 1

7:30 a.m. Mass (church)

9:30 a.m. Mass (church and gym)

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2018-19 OLV School Holidays

Dates will be added as they are approved.

Monday, August 27

Classes begin (Noon Dismissal)

Friday, August 31-Monday, September 3

No School: Labor Day weekend

Monday, October 15

No School: Fall Holiday

Thursday, November 8

Parent-Teacher Conferences (No classes)

Friday, November 9

No School

Wednesday, November 21-Friday, November 23

Thanksgiving Break

Monday, December 24-Friday, January 4

Christmas Break

Monday, January 21

No School: Martin Luther King Day

Friday, February 15-Monday, February 18

No School: Winter break

Monday, March 18

No School

Thursday, April 18-Friday, April 26

Easter Break

Friday, May 17

Noon Dismissal

Friday, May 24-Monday, May 27

Memorial Day Break

Wednesday, June 5

Last Day of School, Early Dismissal