



Our Lady of Victory Catholic School

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

Back-to-School Newsletter: August 2018

- WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL -

Friday, August 24

Consignment Shop Hours: 9 a.m.-noon, School Lower Level
Edukit School Supply Pickup, 9 a.m.-noon, Main Hall
September Hot Lunch Orders Due

Monday, August 27

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL (Grades 1-8): Noon Dismissal/No bus
No Kindergarten students today

Grade 6 Band Parent Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Victory Hall

Consignment Shop Hours: 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 6:30-8 p.m.
Back to School Parent Night (Grades 6-8): 7 p.m., doors open 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 28

Kindergarten First Day (with Parent): 8:30 or 10 a.m. as assigned
Full day for students in grades 1-8: No bus this week
Consignment Shop Hours: 8:30-10 a.m., 2:30-4 and 6:30-8 p.m.
Back to School Parent Night (Grades K-5): 7 p.m., doors open 6:30 p.m.
Latchkey Service begins today

Wednesday, August 29

First All School Mass: 8:30 a.m., Church
Consignment Shop Hours: 9:30-11 a.m. and 2:30-4 p.m.
Noon dismissal for Kindergarten students
Milk Service begins today

Thursday, August 31

Consignment Shop Hours: 8:30-10 a.m. and 2:30-4 p.m.
Noon dismissal for Kindergarten students

Friday, September 1-Monday, September 3

No School-Labor Day Weekend

Tuesday, September 4

Bus Service Begins
New School forms k-8 due today
Preschool begins this week



Keep up on the latest school and PTO events on
FACEBOOK (facebook.com/olvnorthville)!



First Day of School for Students in Grades 1-8

I bet that you cannot wait to find out who your teacher is this year! That secret will be kept until the very first day of school. Returning students are to report to last year's homeroom.

New students are to report to our library. After morning prayers, students will be guided to their new homerooms to meet their new teacher!

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Consignment Shop Fall Sale



**Clean out your closets!
We need EVERYTHING:**

*School - Club - Sports uniforms, Victorian
Festival - Renaissance - Saints Costumes!
Shoes, socks, accessories! Spirit wear!*

Sale Starts

Friday, August 24, 9 AM-Noon

Consignment Shop located in lower level

Questions? Contact
Coordinator, Joanne Gutowsky at (248)
207-9837 or joanne@cjsystemsinc.com.



Parent Meeting for Beginning Band Students

Please note that there will be a mandatory meeting for parents of all incoming band students on **Monday, August 27, at 6:00 p.m., in Victory Hall.** Marshall Music will be here to deliver rental instruments and provide accessory items. Mr. Cross will provide information about the program and discuss how to help your child succeed!

Summer Work Due on First Day of School

All summer work must be completed and brought to school on **Monday, August 27.** Math packets and reading work should be turned in to your child's classroom teacher on the first day of school. Students who participated in the RAZ reading program this summer will have their progress assessed by their classroom teacher online. *All Google Classrooms will be live on the first day of school. Grade 7 and 8 work can be turned in at that time.*

All **school supplies** need to be brought in on the first day of school.

OLVSP (Our Lady of Victory Service Program)

To meet the requirements of the 2018-19 OLVSP, each OLV family needs to donate a minimum of 6 hours of service to Our Lady of Victory.

- The **6 hours must be completed by volunteering 4 shifts in the lunch room or at recess.**
- Minimum of **2 lunch room and/or recess shifts per semester.**
- Only adult members of your family, their employee, or another OLV family may volunteer their time towards your family.
- All volunteers must have a completed **background check**, as well as, documentation of a successful completion of **Protecting God’s Children workshop.**
- All volunteers should **park in the church parking lot** in spots north of the “islands”.
- Shortcut links to all volunteer opportunities, as they get setup, can be found at www.olvnorthville.org/volunteering-at-olv

2018-2019 Recess & Lunch Period Schedule

Time	Lunch	Recess
11:25-11:45 a.m.	Grades 3-5	
11:50-12:10 a.m.	Grades 6-8	Grades 3-5
12:15-12:35 p.m.	Grades K-2	Grade 6-8 (to 12:30 p.m.)
12:40-1:00 p.m.		Grades K-2

HOT LUNCH Service Begins

Tuesday, September 4

Hot lunch orders for September are due Friday, August 24

Milk Service Begins

Tuesday, September 4

Order form will be in your packet and on the website.

Protecting God’s Children Workshops

All parents who wish to help coach CYO sports or volunteer their time at OLV school (including field trips), must first complete a “Protecting God’s Children” workshop. Each workshop starts at **6:00 p.m.** and lasts around 3 hours. Upcoming workshops scheduled in the area include:

- Thursday, September 6, Sacred Heart Parish, Dearborn**
 - Wednesday, September 12, All Saints School, Canton**
 - Thursday, September 20, Divine Child School, Dearborn**
 - Wednesday, October 3, St. Fabian Parish, Farmington Hills**
- Go to www.virtusonline.org to register.

Buying School Uniforms

If you have questions about our uniform policy, please visit www.olvnorthville.org/uniform-policy for a quick guide. There are two options for families as they outfit their children with the required Our Lady of Victory Catholic School Uniform:

1. **Purchase your uniform from OLV’s uniform provider, Educational Outfitters** located at 23317 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington. If ordering online, our school code is **MI01645**. As you need additional items throughout the year, remember that if you call your order into Educational Outfitters, they will deliver your products to OLV at no charge for pick up.
2. **Purchase your uniform from our OLV Consignment Shop** which is open throughout the school year with a large inventory of gently used school and sports uniform apparel. The consignment shop will be staffed during the **first week of school in its location in the lower level of OLV.**



Packet of New Forms

All forms for the 2018-19 school year will be sent home on the first day of school. Please check the backpack of the oldest student in your family for the packet.

All forms need to be completed and returned by **Thursday, August 30**. Please send them to school using the same backpack (as opposed to dropping them off in the office). The packet should include the following forms:

- Milk Service Order Form
- Medical Treatment Release Form
- Concussion Awareness Form (new families only)
- Volunteer Code of Conduct
- Volunteer Driver Information Sheet
- Website/Media Authorization and Handbook Form

Mark your Calendar!

First PTO Meeting of the Year

Thursday, September 13, at 8:30 a.m., Library Center
www.olvpto.com

First Dads’ Club Meeting

Tuesday, September 11, at 7:30 p.m., Cafeteria
www.olvathletics.com

OLV Events and Activities will be on display at both Back to School Parent Nights.

Come early and check it out!

OLV Office Staff
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Secretary

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School Counselor

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Teaching Staff

PreSchool

Director Kathleen England
Teacher Aide June Rutkowski

Elementary School

Kindergarten Jennifer Blazejewski, Julie Bonathan, Carol Shattock
Grade 1 Kathy Guirey, Pauline Maslak
Grade 2 Jill Livingstone, Megan Loboocki
Grade 3 Shawn Staff, Mary Maslak
Grade 4 Aimee Hanley, Laurie Murphy
Grade 5 Becky Martin, Emily Wesley

Middle School (grade 6-8)

ELA Margaret MacLean, Tim Spellman
Math Amy Bradford, Carole Ann Whited
Religion Ruth Scaramucci
Science Jessica Marcou
Social Studies Debbie Padalis

Learning Center

Grade K-2 Helen Bierley
Grade 3-5 Mary Goode
Grade 6-8 Lisa Baird

Specials

Library Judy Horgor
Art Petra Hinderer
Computer Lauren Murray
Music Steve Cross
Physical Education Myra Kolbow
Spanish Enid Siva
Lunch Room Linda Welsh

PTO

Mary Wisniewski, President- www.olvpto.com

Dads' Club

John Glon, President- www.olvathletics.com



Student Drop-off & Pickup Procedures

For the safety of our students, please follow the drop-off and pickup procedures. Please help any new families you see who are just learning the routine!

Dropping Off

Preschool (3 and 4 year old): Starting at 8:30 am., you may arrive and stay in your parked car in the school parking lot. At 8:40 a.m., the preschool teachers will open and meet your child at the middle set of doors.

Grade K-8 Students: Two lanes of traffic enter the parking lot in the mornings using the north entrance. Volunteers will be available to help your children with exiting the car and crossing the parking lot safely. **Please pull your car all the way to the volunteer—stopping early holds up traffic in the street!** All drivers must **exit the lot using the south exit and turn right** (to go south back down Orchard Drive). If you wish to park and walk your child into school, please use the back rows of the school or church parking lot.

Picking Up

Preschool (3 and 4 year old): Starting at 3:00 p.m., parents may park in the school parking lot and wait for the Preschool teachers to bring the students to the middle front doors at 3:10 p.m.. Please meet your child at that door.

Grade K-2 Students: Teachers walk students outside and wait under the school front “porch” area. All K-2 parents must park their cars and walk to their student’s teacher to retrieve their child. K-2 students will not be dismissed to older siblings or allowed to walk to their parents’ cars independently. Older brothers and sisters are welcome to wait with their K-2 sibling under the “porch”. Students in grades K-2 may not walk with their siblings to another location.

Grade 3-5 Students: Teachers will walk students outside and across Orchard Drive to the church parking lot. Parents can then retrieve their grade 3-5 student from the grade-level teacher outside with the students.

Grade 6-8 Students: Middle school students complete their last class at 3:30 p.m. and take a few more minutes to get outside. Students in grades 6-8 also wait for their parents or designated drivers in the church parking lot.

Afternoon Bus Service from OLV

Northville Public School (NPS) provide an afternoon bus to any OLV student residing within the NPS boundary. If you are interested in having your child take the bus home in the afternoon, please contact Michael Henry at (248) 344-8470 or jmhenrey@durhamschoolservices.com.



OLV School Hours



- 7-8:10 a.m.: ESP in library (registered OLV students)
- 8:10 a.m.: School Doors Open. Student drop-off begins.
- 8:10 a.m.: First Bell Rings (k-8)
- 8:20 a.m.: Second Bell Rings. Students not in their classroom seats are marked tardy!
- 8:40 a.m.: Doors open for Preschool students (middle set).
- 11:40 a.m.: Half Day Preschool students dismissed
- 3:10 p.m.: Full Day Preschool students dismissed
- 3:30 p.m.: Dismissal for k-8
- 3:30-6 p.m.: ESP in cafeteria (registered OLV students)

School Wide Communications

- **Forms and flyers** will be sent home with the oldest student in your family. Please check their backpack each night.
- The **weekly school newsletter** will be emailed to you on Friday of each week during the school year. Please be sure any changes to your email address are brought to the office. All newsletters are archived on the website at www.olvnorthville.org/school-newsletter.
- **School Facebook page** will have PTO and School updates

Weekly School Mass

The school wide Mass will be held each Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. All are welcome. The first Mass of the year, is **Wednesday, August 29**. This year, we will have two special Masses to honor some very important people in our students' lives:

- ❖ VIP Mass: **October 24, Gym**
- ❖ Veterans Mass: **November 7, Church**

Want to help support OLV?

OLV has the following fundraisers setup all year long. So whether you are Christmas shopping, picking up a few groceries, or labeling your students school supplies—we have a solution that benefits OLV. Below lists the different options available to all OLV Families and their Friends. For more detail information on each fundraiser, visit www.olvnorthville.org/ways-to-support-olv. Thank you for your support!



Before your next shopping trip to Amazon, go to smile.amazon.com to setup an **Amazon Smile** account. Point your Amazon account to the charity "**Our Lady of Victory (Northville)**". .5% of all your applicable sales will be sent as a check directly to OLV!



Our school collects "Box Tops" throughout the year as an ongoing fundraising program! We earn 10 cents for every Box Top collected so it really adds up! Check out the www.boxtops4education.com website for a complete list of products that have a Box Top.



Our Lady of Victory Parish ANNUAL PICNIC

Sunday, September 9, 11:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Cass Benton Park (between Six Mile and Seven Mile Roads, along Northville Road)

Join us for 11:30 a.m. Mass outside

Hamburgers and hot dogs immediately following (Beverages will be provided)

If you have a favorite picnic side dish, please bring it along
(cold storage will be available and limited outlets for hot dishes will also be available)

Games for kids of all ages!

Sponsored by: The OLV Ushers, Dad's Club, Knights of Columbus and Parish Council

