# OUR LADY OF VICTORY

-Mission Statement-We are a community that lives and shares the preaching, teaching and healing of Christ.



"He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found." - Lk 15:31-32

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

### March 31, 2019

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

#### **Sunday Masses**

Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 7 AM, 9 AM & 11 AM

#### Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 7 AM Saturday 8 AM

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursdays During Lent - 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Saturday 8:30-9:00 AM; 3:30-4:10 PM

Holy Hour: Thursday 7 PM in Church

### Welcome to Our Lady of Victory Catholic Parish

#### A Message from Fr. Jake....



Welcome to Laetare Sunday! This Sunday marks that we are now over half done with our Lenten journey. The liturgical color of Rose reminds us that we called to see life with the love and joy that the Lord bestows on us. Therefore, we are asked to "rejoice" in our Lord Jesus Christ. As He reminds his disciples in the Gospel of John, Jesus is "the way, the truth, and the life," and for this reality, we can truly rejoice in the fact that we do not have to earn any of his love. Jesus freely gives of these gifts to us as he did to the blind man in our Gospel for this weekend. The joy of being loved is something that changes our life, so we in turn become people who love because of the joy that we have experienced.

Thank you to everyone who has returned their pledge envelopes for our parish's annual Stewardship of Treasure campaign. Our theme for this year reminds us that joyful living leads to grateful giving. The joy of being a disciple of Jesus Christ is truly a reality that propels us to serve God and each other with our time, talent, and our treasure. In seminary, I came across the following passage from the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults about stewardship, and I returned to it again as I personally reflect on my pledge for the coming year:

Christian stewards respond in a particular way to the call to be a disciple. Stewardship has the power to shape and mold our understanding of our lives and the way in which we live. Jesus' disciples, as Christian stewards, recognize God as the origin of life, the giver of freedom, and the source of all things. We are grateful for the gifts we have received and are eager to use them to show our love for God and for one another. We look to the life and teaching of Jesus for guidance in living as Christian stewards (p. 451).

If we are to follow Jesus as his disciples, we also must be good stewards of the many gifts that He has put in our lives. Everything is a gift! The joy and freedom that comes from this knowledge truly gives us the strength and courage to give in intentional and sacrificial ways. Since nothing in our lives is created by us that did not first come from our loving God, we simply do not have to worry about creating anything. The latter can be a tremendous source of joy in our lives. We only have to give what we have received.

If you have not yet returned your pledge envelope as of yet, please put it in the offertory or mail it back to the office. Thank you very much for your continued support of OLV and our mission of sharing the preaching, teaching, and healing of Jesus Christ.

Our Lady of Victory, please pray that our parish will be good stewards of the gifts God has given us and share the joy of Jesus with others!

#### Happenings in the Parish Family

Please continue to Pray for Our Sick and their Caregivers: Jeanne Bacon, Dottie Becker, Michael Bihl, Jim Blubaugh, Marie Bruhn, Tracey Carlson, Mick Clark, Shirley Corbin, Thee De Cook, Trudy Dells, Mark Deppe, Amy Earnest, Julie Gacke, Angie Harris, Ben Hochstatter, Chuck Husted, Joe Janeczko, Annette Johnson, Martha Jones, Shirley Kilfoy, Carolyn Kuebler, Miguel Lopez, Pat Maring, Jim McCarthy, Brent Meyer, Jane Meyer, Janie Mitchell, David Nitzel, Darlene Nolan, Becky Pilcher, Colleen Ryan, Kenneth Scodeller, Christian Tilkens, Vincent Welk, Suzie Yackley.

**60th Wedding Anniversary:** Congratulations to Erna & Val Cielecki who will celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary on April 4th. Best wishes for many more happy, healthy years together!

**Rest in Peace:** Please pray for Alfred Becker, father of Sharon (Monte) Ehlers; Anita Zahs; and David Sunleaf, husband of Susan, son-in-law to Jane Remley and sister-in-law of Annette (Rick) Ripperger, who recently passed away. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

### Mass Schedule and Parish Events



Saturday, March 30, 2019

8:00 AM † Sherm Weber 4:30 PM † Doug Wallace

Sunday, March 31, 2019

7:00 AM † Kimberly Normoyle 9:00 AM For the Parish 11:00 AM † Donald Wubben

Monday, April 1, 2019

7:00 AM † Al & Mary Langfeldt

Tuesday, April 2, 2019

7:00 AM † Kathleen Vasen

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

7:00 AM † Robert Noble

7:40 AM † Frankie & Maggie Vinajeras

9:30 AM (SC) † Doris Morris

Thursday, April 4, 2019

7:00 AM † Carolyn Boyer

Friday, April 5, 2019

7:00 AM † Vivian Kapolka

Saturday, April 6, 2019

8:00 AM † Ed Masterson 4:30 PM † Mitchell Hayes

Sunday Arpil 7, 2019

7:00 AM † Paul Murphy

**Families** 

11:00 AM For the Parish

If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, please contact the parish office at 563-391-4245 to request available dates and times.



PARISH LIFE Your Gifts Make A Difference	
Fiscal Year runs July 1 to June 30	
As of 3/31/2019	
Adult Envelopes	\$603,545.11
Electronic Giving	\$302,363.00
Offertory	\$27,074.34
Total Contributions	\$932,982.45
YTD Budget Needed	\$930,025.00
Overage/(shortfall)	\$2,957,45

### This Week

#### Saturday

30 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Confession (CH) 3:30 PM - 4:10 PM Confession (CH)

#### Sunday

31 9:00 AM RCIA (GSMR) 12:00 PM GriefShare (GSMR)

#### Monday

Visit www.OLVJFK.com for a monthly calendar of parish/school events.

#### Tuesday

2 6:00 PM St. Gabriel's Meeting (PC) 6:30 PM Board of Education (GSMR)

#### Wednesday

7:40 AM All School Mass 9:30 AM Bible Study (GSMR) 9:30 AM Silvercrest Mass (SC) 6:00 PM Faith Formation 7:00 PM High School Youth Night 7:00 PM Choir Practice (CH)

#### **Thursday**

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Confession (CH)
7:00 PM Holy Hour (CH)
7:00 PM Fulfilled Adult Bible Study (GSMR)

#### **Friday**

5 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM First Friday Adoration (CH) 6:00 PM Stations of the Cross (CH) 6:00 PM Jr. High Youth Night (PC)

#### Saturday

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Confession (CH)
3:30 PM - 4:10 PM Confession (CH)
Blood pressure checks after 4:30 PM Mass
Expectant parent blessing after 4:30 PM Mass

#### Sunday

Blood pressure checks after all Masses
Expectant parent blessing after all Masses
9:00 AM RCIA (GSMR)
12:00 PM GriefShare (GSMR)
3:00 PM Vigil Mass Practice (CH)

CH-Church
GS-Gathering Space
GSMR-Gathering Space Meeting Room
JFK SR-JFK Staff Room
MC-Media Center

PC-Parish Center
RC-Ridgecrest
SC-Silvercrest
YR-Youth Room

### March 31, 2019

### Liturgical Roles- April 2019

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sue Hart, Mike Quasny, Ken Wedig, Ann Lotspeich, Laura Woods 4:30 PM

7:00 AM Dave Green, Délores Green, Lucy Tetmeyer,

Jim Yackley

Chris Sigwarth, John Velky, Vern Vondera, 9:00 AM

Chris Wemhoff, Jennifer Wemhoff

Sue Brennan, Judy Johnson, Mike Mallon, 11:00 AM

Tom Simmons, Jan Tappa

Cup Bearers

4:30 PM Lindsay Archer, Cathy Anderson, Kim Belk,

Deb Droessler

7:00 AM Scott Bengfort, Deb Bossch, Betsy DeVilbiss,

Suzie Yackley

9:00 AM

VJ Morgart, Kelly Poster, Kitty Temming, Paul Temming, Thelma Wulf Bonnie Beyhl, Deb Croegaert, Dick Croegaert, 11:00 AM

Jill Gustas

#### Altar Servers

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c48aba92cabfc1april

Lectors

Mary Horkulic, Christina Tigges

4:30 PM 7:00 AM

John Nagy Jim Dean, Patti Hammer 9:00 AM

11:00 AM Carol Burns, Cheryl Wagner

**Hospitality Ministers** 

4:30 PM Michael & Amanda Clark Family, Cliff Gronauer,

Chris Lotspeich

7:00 AM

Jim Boever, Dave Green, Jerry Marsh, Nicholas Miller, Norm Miller, Dave Oberbroeckling,

Skip Schlue, Dwayne Johnston Joe Creen, Charlie Jones, Jeff/Jenny Miller, 9:00 AM

Bob Mooney Betty Ruefer Jeanne Barnett, Patricia Brooks, 11:00 AM

Angie Hillebrand, Pinky Verscheure

Money Counters

04/07Tom Brus, Stuart Burns

04/14 Kathy Snider, Andy Spitznas

04/21

04/28 Don Hancock, Ken Ruefer

Victory Voucher Captains

Saturday Captain - Maureen Mosse

Randy Peterson 04/07

Stevé McGovern 04/14

04/21 **EASTER SUNDAY** 

04/28 Jim & Linda McCarthy

Captains-Pick up all supplies for the weekend from the Parish Office on Friday by 4:00 PM.

Blood Pressure Checks- April 6,7

Maureen Mosse, Pat May

4:30 PM 7:00 AM Sharon Meister

9:00 AM Violet Hammil, Karla Krogman

11:00 AM Carol Burns, Lorine Geurtsen

Whenever you are unable to fulfill your assigned role, it is your responsibility to find a substitute.

Church/Parish Office

4105 N. Division Street Davenport, IA 52806

Phone: <u>(</u>563) 391-4245 Emergency: (563)-293-1177

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday......7:30 AM to 4:00 PM

Pastor Rev. Jacob M. Greiner - greinerj@diodav.org

Deacon Frank Agnoli Deacon Al Boboth Deacon Marc Mosse Deacon John Wagner

Parish Center: (563) 391-3030 ext:#143; after hours option #4

John F. Kennedy Catholic School and Guardian Angel Pre-School

1627 W. 42nd Street Davenport, IA 52806 Phone: (563) 391-3030 Fax: (563) 388-5206

Principal, Chad Steimle - Chad.steimle@olvjfkmail.com

#### Faith Formation & Youth Ministry Office:

(563) 391-8384

**Director of Religious Education** 

Jennifer Wemhoff - davolvrek6@diodav.org Coordinator of Youth Ministry Evan Brankin - davolvym@diodav.org

Parish Nurses

Nurses can answer your questions, present health information, facilitate access to services, listen to your concerns, and pray with you. Please let us know your needs.

Carol Burns, RN, Parish Nurse ........563-391-4724 Bonnie Beyhl, OTR/L, Health Advocate...563-940-4058 Char McGovern, RDMS, Health Advocate ...563-508-3890

Choir Director

Sharon Ehlers......940-2418

Baptisms
Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements. Pre-Baptismal welcoming and information is held on the 3rd Monday of the month.

Marriage in the Lord Please contact the Parish Office before setting a desired wedding date.

Holy Communion for Homebound We'd love to serve you. Please call the Parish Office in advance to make arrangements.

Send bulletin announcements to - Lisa davolvpa@diodav.org. Bulletin deadline is Monday at 12 PM.

When you have a special need or wish to know that someone cares, the **Communion of Saints Circle** will join their prayers with yours.

**Please call:** Marcia Dietz - 563-370-9685 Martha Gilbert - 563-326-3970

Interested in Joining Our Parish?

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us and invite you to consider joining our parish community. Stop by the information kiosk in the Gathering Space to pick up a packet of materials with further details or call the Parish Office.

### Fourth Sunday of Lent



#### JFK School Open Positions School Secretary: Full-time year round

School Secretary: Full-time year round position. Must have attention to detail and be able to multi-task with frequent interruptions. Accounting knowledge beneficial for the many bookkeeping tasks peformed.

School Counselor:

For Pre-School - 8th Grade Catholic School lowa License required

Please send a cover letter, resume, and references to chad.steimle@olvjfkmail.com, or complete an application in the school office .

John F. Kennedy Catholic School, Attn: Chad Steimle 1627 W. 42nd Davenport, IA 52806 (563) 391-3030 chad.steimle@olvjfkmail.com



#### JFK/OLV Gala 2019

Hola my friends!
The 2019 Cinco De Mayo Gala will be held on May 3, 2019 at the Goldenleaf Banquet Center. Tickets will be going on sale soon. We will be having another raffle for \$1000 off your 2019/2020 JFK school tuition!

Mark your calendars and come join us for tons of fun!

#### **Attention OLV & JFK Parents**

You are invited to Parent University at Sacred Heart Cathedral Children's Author Julia Cook will discuss the social emotional wellbeing of children and their families. Her books showcase her innate ability to enter the worldview of a child through storybooks, giving children both the "what to say" and the "how to say it."

Thursday April 4, 2019 @ 6:00 Sacred Heart Cathedral 422-E. 10th Street • Davenport IA 52803

For questions or to reserve a seat please contact Anna Schott at JFK 563-391-3030

Attention Parents of College Students!

We are seeking monetary donations for the cost of the mailing and to purchase items for the packages. Please place monetary donations in the offertory basket in an envelope marked "College Care Packages" or drop them off at the rectory. Checks should be made out to "Our Lady of Victory". Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated.

Please keep our college students in your prayers. If you would like to help in the assembly of the care packages we will be meeting on Monday, April 22 at 7 pm in the parish center on the carpeted side. Assembly takes less than an hour. If you have any questions, contact Kathy Peterson at 563-388-5192 or email: RJPeterson5@msn.com



Faith Formation classes meet April 3, 10, 17, 24, and May 1.

First Communion practice is Thursday April 25 at 6:00pm. Please meet in the Gathering Space at church. Practice will last one hour. First Communion is Sunday April 28 at 1:30pm.

Social media has colonized what was once a sacred space occupied by emptiness: the space reserved for thought and creativity. -Mahershala Ali

Challenge: Limit yourself to 30 minutes or less for using social media today. Use the extra time to be present with your loved ones or with God.



We are disciples of Jesus making faith matter and sharing God's love to make more disciples!

This Wednesday is our monthly planning night. This is where teens give input on the subjects they want to talk about during youth nights throughout the month, plan events, and otherwise develop leadership skills and roles here in the parish. Gather in the youth room at 7pm for food, faith, fellowship, and fun!

This Friday is Middle School Youth Night from 6-8pm in the parish center. We'll be talking about relationships, how to keep them healthy and happy. We are in need of more parental participation - sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b44ada82da0ff2-middle if you would like to help.

REVIVE - The Diocese is offering a half day retreat from 1-5pm for middle school age students on April 6th and for high school age students on April 7th in Muscatine. One of our high school seniors will be giving a witness talk on living holiness as a youth at the retreat. More details can be found here: https://www.davenportdiocese.org/revive/ Contact davolvym@diodav.org to register.

For High School Youth:

Parents and HS teens: Sign up for our Remind text service by texting "@olvh" to the number 81010. We'll be using these texts to let families know about youth ministry events all year!



Confirmation is just two weeks away! Make sure all your forms and service reflections are turned in! Mark your calendars for Confirmation on April 13, 2019! Mass will be at 1:30pm. Picture times will be sent out for ALL students next week.

Practice for Confirmation will be Thursday, April 11, starting at 6pm in the church, and facilitated by Deacon Agnoli. Confirmandi should plan to attend with their sponsors/parents.



Did you know the OLV Foundation is one of the choices you can make when selecting where to direct your 2% rebate on your Victory Voucher Purchases? We appreciate those that have already chosen the

Foundation and are pleased to accept just over \$1200 from that program. Choosing the Foundation allows a portion of the Victory Voucher monies raised to be used to increase our Foundation Endowment and return more proceeds later. This is just one of the many ways teams can work together at OLV and JFK to help secure our future

Stewardship Moment

Christian stewardship does not leave giving to chance. It challenges us to plan. It asks us to appraise—deliberately—what we are doing with our resources. Thoughtful, intentional giving involves prayer and trust

**Blessing Bags** 

We are now half way through this Lenten season and there are still many items needed to fill our *Blessing Bags* for the homeless and less fortunate. Psalm 102 starts with this lamentation to the Lord, "Hear my prayer, O Lord; let my cry for help come to you." Are the homeless and needy crying out to the Lord for help? Let us help them with this week's items for the *Blessing Bags*: personal hygiene items -TRAVEL SIZE-Body wash, soap, shampoo, conditioner, tampons and menstrual pads. Once again, if you would



rather not shop, please place a check (made out to Christian Service) or cash in an envelope, mark it *Blessing Bags* and drop it in the collection basket. Christian Service will use the money for bus tokens. All donations can be placed in the boxes in the Gathering Space.

**Hospice Cookies** 

It's time again for donating cookies to the Clarissa C. Cook Hospice House. For those who wish to take part in this ministry, please bring one or two dozen cookies, on a paper plate placed in a zippered bag, to the Gathering Space counter by 11:00 AM Sunday, April 7th. Because of potential allergy issues, could you please label the bags if the cookies contain nuts or nut products? We are very grateful for all of our wonderful bakers. Contact Barb (563-349-7407) with any questions.



When all political candidates hold a position that promotes an intrinsically evil act, the conscientious voter faces a dilemma. The voter may decide to take the extraordinary step of not voting for any candidate or, after careful deliberation, may decide to vote for the candidate deemed less likely to advance such a morally flawed position and more likely to pursue other authentic human goods.



#### **Eucharistic Ministers Needed**

We will need 10 Ministers of Holy Communion (5 Ciborium and 5 Chalice) for Holy Thursday, and 4 Ciborium for Good Friday.

If you are able to help, please email Jim Yackley at <u>jayackleys@gmail.com</u> by Friday, March 29th. Sign up sheets will also be available in the Gathering Space.



Nami's Family to Family Education Program is a 12 week program for families and caregivers of individuals dealing with Major Depression, Bi-Polar Disorder, Schizophrenia, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, Panic Disorder, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, and Borderline Personality Disorder. The course is taught by trained family members who have chosen to become instructors after being empowered as a result of taking this course. Many family members describe this program as life changing. The next series is being offered at St. Paul Lutheran Church 2136 Brady St. from 6-8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays between April 23 and July 9. This course is free because of a generous grant from the Eastern lowa Mental Health/Disabilities Services Region. For more information call 563-386-7477 Ext. 266.

## Bunco is Back! Ladies Night Out-Friday A pril 12!

Come socialize, meet new people, enjoy a well deserved night out, and play a fun game that requires no special skills! Even if you've never played Bunco come and learn—it is super easy. All that's required is to know how to toss dice, add to 21, recognize 3 of a kind, be willing to have a great time, and knowing how to have a good laugh.

Cost to play is \$10 per person; bring a snack to share, and BYOB. Proceeds will benefit those attending NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) in November 2019. Come alone or bring a friend or two however there is no pressure to fill a table. Doors open at 6:30PM and play begins at 7PM in the OLV Parish Center. Prizes will be awarded for the winner, loser, and person with the most Bunco's. If you have questions call or text Jennifer Wemhoff at 563-508-2346.



- We will be holding a membership drive at OLV after all the Masses the weekend of April 6th and 7th.
   Stop by and see us after Mass, let us answer your questions or sign-up. If you have any questions, please contact Rick Willows at 563-570-0476.
- Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 20th starting 11 AM at the soccer field behind JFK. Afterwards join us in the Parish Center for arts and crafts and lunch.
- Bring the entire family to Holy Week Services: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Knights will be at the church to act as escorts after Friday Night Adoration.

#### The Odd Jobs Committee

School and church grounds "spruce up" day will be on Saturday, April 6th, beginning at 8:30 AM. We will pick up sticks/leaves around campus and remove some shrubbery in need of replacement. As always, many hands make for light work and increases the fellowship enjoyed by all! Anyone interested is encouraged to come out and pitch in. This is also a great opportunity for students wishing to earn Service hours. Please bring gloves, rakes, shovels, leaf blowers, pruning/trimming tools, chainsaws, and wheelbarrows. We will also need a couple of pick-up trucks to haul debris off to the

compost facility.