### WELCOME TO THE FAITH COMMUNITY OF

# OUR LADY OF VICTORY

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

# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

A VOICE OF ONE CRYING OUT IN THE DESERT:

"PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD,

MAKE STRAIGHT HIS PATHS.

EVERY VALLEY SHALL BE FILLED

AND EVERY MOUNTAIN AND HILL SHALL BE MADE LOW."

—LUKE 3:4-5

December 10, 2023

Second Sunday of Advent

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: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Saturdays: 8:30 AM & 3:00 PM
Holy Hour
Thursdays 7PM in the church

# Welcome to Our Lady of Victory Catholic Parish

### A Message from Fr. Patrick......

We have begun the beautiful season of Advent and unfortunately it will pass quickly so there are some important things for us to remember and do as the time passes quickly. The fact is that this weekend is already the second week of Advent and the fourth Sunday of Advent will be on Christmas Eve Day. That means that there are ONLY fourteen days roughly left for us to savor this beautiful season until Christmas arrives! The things that seem to be important in this time that is before us can take on MANY different forms but I would like to focus on three basic things! We need to SLOW DOWN, sit in silence and savor or appreciate what is before us!

The season of Advent is a time of anticipation. It gives us a period of time to prepare for that which is to COME! As we sing the songs "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" and "Come Lord Jesus" we literally prepare our hearts and our lives for this Christ Emmanuel who is to be born to us. It is important that along with all of the other excitement of December we allow some time in these days that help us to understand why this event is SOO very important and WHO it is that is coming into our lives.

We are all very busy and it seems to only get worse around Christmas so that is why it is important to SLOW DOWN! There will be days that we can't find the time to get everything done, and wonder how to fit everything into what needs to be done before Christmas, but we need to find the time to reflect on the real "REASON for the SEASON". The songs, the gifts and the food and goodies of the Christmas Season are all great but what about Jesus?!? Is HE a part of all that we are doing? Are we celebrating Christ Emmanuel? We need to make the time and take the time to be sure that Jesus is a true part of this BEAUTIFUL Advent Season!

In a world that is so very LOUD and noisy it is important to quiet ourselves so that we can hear the voice of God speaking to us. It is necessary to make the effort to find some quiet and to sit in SILENCE with Our Blessed Lord. There are a variety of ways that can make this happen from visits to the Blessed Sacrament at church, time spent in HOLY HOUR/ADORATION and even finding that quiet place at home so that we can LISTEN to what the Lord is saying to each of us.

The final element that will help us to fully allow ADVENT to be a part of our lives is to savor or appreciate what is taking place. Things don't just happen! There is much time and work that goes into what is taking place in our community, at home, and at church. Do we appreciate and savor (sit back and enjoy) what is happening? Do we relish and celebrate that God is giving us His Only Begotten Son - Christ Emmanuel - "God with us"?

#### COME LORD JESUS COME!



### Happenings in the Parish Family

Please continue to Pray for Our Sick and their Caregivers: Diane Allen, Larry Barnett, Michael Biehl, Tom Brehmer, Taffy Brown, Gail Chaffin, Mick Clark, Kim Clary, Shannon Colemer, Nolan Crowell, Tracey (Dietz) Carlson, Duane Eganhouse, Tate Green, Lorine Geurtsen, Rita Hagner, Joanne Hansen, Angie Harris, Judy Hillebrand, Loretta Kelley, Carolyn Kuebler, Bev Lantz, Karen & Thomas Hammerly-Lohse, Miguel Lopez, Pat Maring, Joe Masterson, Jim McCarthy, Rebecca McClellan, Beverly McCreary, Daniel McGranaghan, Brent Meyer, Denny Meyer, Jane Meyer, Nick Miller, Janie Mitchell, Gary & Mary Neece, Melinda (Siskoff) Neumann, David Nitzel, Julie Noel, Jim O'Brien, Tom Olsen, Linda Otte-Nordeen, Herbert Painter, Tara Painter, Natalie Paulsen, Clancy Poston, Larry Rudolph, Amy Schubert, Cliff Tappa, Tom Simmons, Patricia Taylor, Anita Veasey, Connie Welk, Cris Worley

Baptism: Kinsley Michele, daughter of Dylan Jones & Ashley Drumm. Congratulations on her spiritual birthday.

Rest in Peace: Patricia Bitterman, mother of Brian (Debbie) Bitterman & David (Artis) Bitterman; Melvin Hill, father of Sean (Stephanie) Eckhardt; Richard Poster, father of Mike (Kelly) Poster May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

## Mass Schedule and Parish Events



Saturday, December 9, 2023

8:00 AM † Fr. William Meyer

4:30 PM † Lorraine Lintz & Mark (living)

Sunday, December 10, 2023

7:00 AM † Joan Cherry 9:00 AM For the Parish 11:00 AM † James Lee

4:30 PM † Frances & Kenneth Childs

Monday, December 11, 2023

7:00 AM † Leo Huber & family

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

7:00 AM Mike & Veronica Axelson (living)

7:40 AM † Chloe Reeves Wednesday, December 13, 2023

> † Marietta Smeaton 7:00 AM 7:40 AM † Patricia Heffren

Thursday, December 14, 2023

7:00 AM † Marie & Kenny Stratton † Marianne & Joe Van Camp 10:30 AM

Friday, December 15, 2023

7:00 AM † Jane Jones Saturday, December 16, 2023 8:00 AM † Harry Bradley 4:30 PM † John & Julie Loftus

Sunday, December 17, 2023

7:00 AM † Klein Families 9:00 AM † Fr. Donald Molitor 11:00 AM † Bill & Patricia Reagan



#### **Deanery Advent Penance Services**

Area priests are teaming up to offer confessions from 7AM - 7PM on the following ďays:

- Thursday, December 14th Sacred Heart Cathedral
- Tuesday, December 19th Our Lady of Lourdes, Bettendorf

#### Lumen Christi

QC Adoration Night Saturday, December 16, 2023 Sacred Heart Cathedral 422 E. 10th St., Davenport Dinner and Speaker at 5pm Adoration from 6pm-8pm



## This Week

#### Saturday

6:30 AM TMIY (PC) 8:00 AM Mass (CH)

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Christmas Sale (GS/GSMR) 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Confession (CH)

9:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry (PC-C) 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Confession (CH) 4:30 PM Mass (CH)

Victory Vouchers sold after 4:30 PM Mass

#### Sunday

2nd Sunday of Advent

Victory Vouchers sold after 7AM & 9AM Mass 7:00 AM Mass (CH) 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM Christmas Sale (GS/GSMR)

9:00 AM Mass (CH) 9:00 AM RCIA (PC-T) 11:00 AM Mass (CH)

11:00 AM American Sign Language for the Deaf &

Hard of Hearing Mass (CH)

4:30 PM IGNITE Sunday (CH/PC/GYM/School)

#### Monday

7:00 AM Mass (CH) 6:00 PM St. Gabriel's Circle Christmas Party (PC)

6:00 PM Middle School Youth Night (YR)

#### Tuesday

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe 7:00 AM Mass (CH) 7:40 AM JFK All School Mass (CH) 3:30 PM Stephens Ministry (GSMR) 6:30 PM JFK Home and School

7:00 PM Liturgy Committee (Rectory)

#### Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass (CH) 7:40 AM JFK All School Mass (CH) 6:00 PM Faith Formation (School/CAF/Gym/PC) 6:00 PM Advent Bible Study (GSMR/GS)

7:00 PM Choir Practice (CH)

### **Thursday**

7:00 AM Mass (CH) 10:00 AM Queen of Heaven (GSMR) 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Confessions (CH)

7:00 PM Holy Hour

#### Friday

7:00 AM Mass (CH)

9:00 AM Health Ministry Meeting (GSMR) 12:20 PM -2:30 PM JFK Reconciliation (CH)

#### Saturday

6:30 AM TMIY (PC)

8:00 AM Mass (CH) 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Confession (CH)

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Confession (CH) 4:00 PM Ethical Trade Sales (GS) 4:30 PM Mass (CH)

Social Saturday and Victory Vouchers sold after 4:30 PM Mass

#### 3rd Sunday of Advent

Social Sunday and Victory Vouchers sold after 7AM & 9 AM Mass

Ethical Trade Sales before and after all Masses

7:00 AM Mass (CH) 9:00 AM Mass (CH) 9:00 AM RCIA (GSMR) 11:00 AM Mass (CH)

1:00 PM Christmas Music Practice (CH) 1:00 PM Church Decorating (CH/GS)

#### Job Openings at Scott County Catholic Schools

- JFK is looking to fill a full-time, school year only childcare, preschool, and recess supervisory position. Please forward your resume to Chad Steimle at chad.steimle@olvifkmail.com.
- The Little Lancers at Lourdes Catholic School have
- both a Full time and a Part time Childcare position open in the childcare center. Please forward your resume to BethGiese:beth.giese@lourdes.pvt.k12.ia.us or contact her with any questions.
- SCCS Business Office is looking for a Full-time Bookkeeper/Accountant to join the team. If you have 2-4 years of accounting education and or equivalent expérience, please send your resume to Nikki Gartner at nikki.gartner@sccsiowa.org
- Villa Maria is looking for Full and Part-time Childcare positions. Please forward your resume to Lauren Hovey at lauren.hovey@assumptionhigh.org

# youth Ministry







### Faith Formation

Family prayer & study - Celebrate the Feast of Saint Lucy this Wednesday, December 13th.
Watch the 'Story of Saint Lucy' on
Stories of Saints for Kids, Episode 68 (Christian Family TV on YouTube). Wear white or red in honor of St. Lucy's purity, virginity, and martyrdom and help children make green wreath crowns to wear. Make traditional St. Lucia Buns or cinnamon rolls and take time to pray for those experiencing illness of the eyes or blindness.

Relying on Your goodness, O God, we humbly ask You, through the intercession of Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr, to give perfect vision to our eyes, that they may serve for Your greater honor and glory. Saint Lucy, hear our prayers and obtain our petitions. Amen.





**IGNITE SUNDAYS**  Our next IGNITE Sunday will be December 10. Our theme for the evening will be Advent. We invite you to join us for any or all of the following: Mass at 4:30pm in the church, a meal in the Parish Center at 5:20pm, and then we will all gather in the

Church at 6:10pm for our programming. All ages will gather together for this special IGNITE Sunday as we dive into Advent.

**Christian Experience Weekend** Holy Spirit, Come to Me! FEB 16 - 18 (Women) MAR 1-3 (Men)

The "Season" to celebrate Christ's birth doesn't need to end at Christmas!

OLV offers two great weekends to honor Christ by improving your ever-growing relationship with Him!

With the "Holy Spirit, Come to Me" CEWs (Christian Experience Weekend) retreats coming Feb 16-18 (for Women), and Mar 1-3 (for men).



Signups have already begun, so please consider picking up your blue registration forms which can be found at the kiosk in the church gathering space, parish office, or download the form at www.olvjfk.com.

Please don't hesitate to contact this year's CEW Directors if you have any questions or need more information:

Women's Lay Director - Anita Gorzney (563) 508-0103 Men's Lay Director - Jake Pries (563) 940-7526



If you haven't taken your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) this year, consider making a tax-free transfer from your IRA by using a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to the Our Lady of Victory Foundation. The

contribution counts as your RMD, but it isn't taxable. Now that most people are taking the standard deduction rather than itemizing, a QCD is a great way to keep your contribution out of your adjusted gross income for tax purposes and still benefit from your contribution. Please consult with your financial advisor.

Legal Name: Our Lady of Victory Foundation Tax ID: 42-1344392

Thank you for your consideration.

Stewardship Moment

We want to thank you for your continued generosity with prayer, ministry participation, and financial support. Last month 70 deceased loved ones from our community were remembered at a special Mass on All Souls Day; hundreds more had their names entered into the Book of Remembrance; 17 teens and 8 chaperones attended the national NCYC conference; 8 money counters tallied weekly donations; 100 meals were served at the Thanksgiving Dinner; dozens of workers helped set up/tear down for the Bazaar; 185 others assisted shoppers, managed sales and served food; 150 Ribbon Tree and 120 Wishing Well gifts were collected for children and nursing home residents; 72 students attended sacrament preparation workshops; 45 second graders received First Reconciliation; and 58 Care Packages were sent to college students preparing for final exams. Thank you, thank you, thank you for sharing your gifts. Your active engagement keeps our parish truly alive in Christ.

OLV's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner was a big success! 100 people were served. A huge THANK YOU to all of the volunteers, delivery drivers and those that gave food and monetary donations to make this wonderful event possible!



# College Care Packages

Thank you for your generous support of the college care package ministry. Care packages were sent out to 58 OLV college students. The packages brightened the day for these students while they were preparing for finals. The students really appreciate your support and prayers. Thank you so much!!

As we continue to recognize the Eucharistic Revival, please find in the holders in the pews at church a prayer card with prayers for before and after Mass. Please use them of they help you experience the if they help you experience the great gift of Jesus in the Eucharist!





OLV's Caregiver Support Group is meeting for a social on Thursday, December 21st from 11AM-1PM (note the time change). We are asking you to bring a small appetizer, savory or sweet and a small gift for a caregiver IE: lotion, your favorite music, journal, etc. something you would use as a caregiver. We will have a Christmas prayer, exchange gifts in a fun way and share fellowship with one another. Where two or more are gathered, I am with you." Please, even if you have not come before, come and join us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

# Our Lady of Victory Singles Adult Ministry

#### December/January Events

- December 14th: Game night PC-T 5:30 pizza RSVP to Jim at - 563-343-1386
- January 7th singles movie night 4 pm. GSMR bring snacks NEED IDEAS FOR MOVIE (2)

#### Ethical Trade

The Christian Service Ministry will be holding an Ethical Trade Sale on Saturday, December 16th and Sunday, December 17th before and after all Masses in the Gathering Space. We will have herbs, spices, olive oil, coffee, and chocolate for purchase... they make great stocking stuffers! Cash or check only (please make checks payable to OLV).



## Christmas Mass Times **Christmas Eve Christmas Day** Sunday, December 24th Monday, December 25th 4:00pm, 6:00pm & 7:00am & 9:00am 10:00pm



<u>Church/Parish Office</u> 4105 N. Division Street Davenport, IA 52806 Phone: (563) 391-4245 Fax: (563) 445-1003 Emergency: (563)-293-1177 Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday......7:30 AM to 4:00 PM

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rauenbuehlera@diodav.org Deacon Frank Agnoli Deacon Al Boboth Deacon Marc Mosse Deacon John Wagner

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

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Health Ministry

Advocates 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. Char McGovern, RDMS, Health Advocate .....(563) 508-3890 Julie Kilburg, Health Advocate......(563) 210-3480 Bonnie Bobet-Beyhl, OTR/L, Health Advocate....(563) 940-4058 Deacon John Wagner, RN, BSN, MA, MPTH ......(563) 391-4245

Health Advocate's email - davolvnurse@diodav.org

Choir Director

Sharon Ehlers.....(563) 940-2418

Holy Communion for Homebound

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

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

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

Send bulletin announcements to: Lisa: davolvpa@diodav.org or call (563) 391-4245. Announcements are due by 3pm on Monday.

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: Mary Ann Fahrenkrug: 563-370-9167 Martha Gilbert: 563-326-3970

