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.



January 7, 2024

The Epiphany of the Lord

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......

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany within the Christmas season and there are a number of beautiful things that are connected with this Feast. One of the main things that people think about are the three Wise Men who are also referred to as the Magi or the Three Kings. They come to visit the baby Jesus after his birth and bring with them the very symbolic gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The Gospel of Matthew interestingly is the only one of the four gospels that mention the Magi who have come "from the east" to worship the "King of the Jews." The three Wise Men are given the names Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar and their initials can be found above the door in the traditional house blessing on this feast. The inscription would look like this: 20+C+M+B+24.

The gifts that they bring are highly symbolic and have a spiritual symbolism for the Christ child. Gold represents His Kingship, Frankincense (an incense) represents that He is a deity (God) and Myrrh is an embalming oil - a symbol of death that directs us to the fact that He would become Savior of the World and give His very life for us! In many cultures and traditions one gift is set aside to open up on the Feast of the Epiphany which is also known by some as "Little Christmas" because the Wise Men come to present their gifts to the Christ child.

The traditional date of the Epiphany is January 6 (some places always celebrate on this date) while in the United States it is celebrated on the Sunday between January 2 and January 8. It has become the tradition to bless our homes on the Feast of the Epiphany. As seen above the initials in the blessing above the door signify the names of the three Magi (Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar) and are also the first letters of the Latin words Christus mansionem benedicat, "May Christ bless the house." The sign of the cross is between the numbers and letters and the numbers represent the year (2024).

After inscribing the 20+C+M+B+24 above the front door the following is said:

The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and twenty-four years ago. May Christ Bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year. Amen

Let us pray: Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love; and grant that we may manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen





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, Jean Cavenaugh, 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, 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

Mass Schedule and Parish Events



Saturday, January 6, 2024

MA 00:8 † Cathy Berta

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

Sunday, January 7, 2024

7:00 AM For the Parish 9:00 AM † Klein Families

11:00 AM † James & Mary Bradley

Monday, January 8, 2024

7:00 AM † Charles & Aldora Madden

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

7:00 AM † Myrna Brehmer

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

7:00 AM † Eleonore & Lee Hymel 7:40 AM † Walter & Arlene Sterk

Thursday, January 11, 2024

7:00 AM † RoseMary Woodhouse 10:30 AM (RC) † Marianne & Joe Van Camp

Friday, January 12, 2024

7:00 AM † Paul, Pete & Adam Herrig

Saturday, January 13, 2024

8:00 AM † Paul & Rosa Pham 4:30 PM For the Parish

Sunday, January 14, 2024

7:00 AM † Steve White 9:00 AM † Don Trees 11:00 AM † Janet Thomas



school and the wider community in any way. We are thinking about EVERYONE who shares the preaching, teaching and healing of Christ as caring parents, loyal friends, ethical workers, dedicated pray-ers, generous community servants, and interested newcomers...along with the amazing stewards who directly serve our programs and activities.

Doors open at 5:30 PM, Food is served at 6 PM, There is no cost to attend and entire families are invited. A catered dinner will be served. Light entertainment is provided. Child-friendly menu is available.

Please RSVP to the Parish office (563-391-4245 or davolv@diodav.org) by January 8. Please let us know the number of adults and children who will attend.

This Week

Saturday

8:00 AM Mass (CH)

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

4:30 PM Mass (CH)

Victory Vouchers Sold, Blood Pressure Checks, Expectant Parent Blessing after 4:30 PM Mass

Sunday

The Epiphany of the Lord

Victory Vouchers Sold after 7am & 9am Mass, Blood Pressure Checks & Expectant Parent

Blessing after all Masses 7:00 AM Mass (CH) 9:00 AM Mass (CH) 9:00 AM RCIA (GSMR)

11:00 AM Mass (CH) 11:00 AM Hospice Cookie Drop Off (GS) 4:00 PM Singles Movie Night (GSMR)

Monday

7:00 AM Mass (CH)
4:00 PM Faith Formation Staff Meeting (GSMR)
6:00 PM Middle School Youth Night (YR)

7:00 PM Stewardship Committee (GSMR)

Tuesday

7:00 AM Mass (CH)

3:30 PM Stephens Ministry (GSMR) 7:00 PM Liturgy Committee (GSMR)

Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass (CH) 7:40 AM JFK All School Mass

6:00 PM Faith Formation (JFK School/Gym/PC) 7:00 PM Choir Practice (CH) 7:00 PM High School Youth Night (YR)

Thursday

7:00 AM Mass (CH)

10:00 AM Queen of Heaven (GSMR)

10:30 AM Ridgecrest Mass (RC)

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Confessions (CH) 5:30 PM Singles Game Night (PC-T)

6:30 PM Adult Bible Study (GS, GSMR) 7:00 PM Holy Hour (CH)

Friday

7:00 AM Mass (CH)

9:00 AM Health Ministry Meeting (GSMR) 6:30 PM Music Boosters Trivia Night (Columbus Club)

Saturday

8:00 AM Mass (CH)

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Confession (CH) 9:00 AM Prayer Shawl (GSMR) 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Confession (CH) 4:30 PM Mass (CH)

Sunday

7:00 AM Mass (CH)

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

11:00 AM Mass (CH)

11:00 AM American Sign Language for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (CH)

1:00 PM Ladies Council Meeting (GSMR)



JFK Music Boosters Trivia Night

The JFK Music Boosters would like to thank you for your generous support of the program through the Butter Braid fundraiser and invite you to their Trivia Night this winter. The Trivia Night will be held at the Columbus Club on Friday, January 12th. Doors will open at 5:30pm and the trivia will begin at 6:30pm. The cost is \$100 for a table of 8 or \$15 per person. Feel free to bring your own snacks. Beverages can be purchased from the Knights of Columbus at the event. The proceeds from this event will be used to purchase new instruments for the band, pay for repairs on donated instruments, and pay student registration fees for honor bands. Please RSVP or reach out to:

Ms. Claire Schaecher (JFK band director) with any questions: 309-373-3435. We hope to see you there!

When: Friday, January 12th, 2024 Where: Columbus Club, 1111 W 35th Street, Davenport, IA

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Doors open at 5:30 Trivia Starts at 6:30

\$100 for a table of 8 or \$15 per person

youth Ministry

Middle Schoolers (6-8 grade), come out and join us for the first Middle School Youth night of 2024!

When: Monday, January 8th Where: OLV Youth Room Time: 6:00pm

If you have any questions, please contact Abbey at:

davolvym@diodav.org





Faith Formation

The tradition of giving gifts at Christmas is thought by some to be rooted in the gift giving of the Magi. In many cultures, gifts are not exchanged at Christmas, but rather on the feast of the Epiphany. Whenever you exchange your Christmas gifts, take some time to reflect on this tradition of gift giving at Christmas.

Think of the best gift you have received. What was it? What made it special? Was it the gift itself, the thought that went into it, or the person who gave it to you?





Why are we here? What is life all about? What happens when we die? These are some of life's deepest questions, rooted in the human heart's deepest desires: happiness, love, beauty, meaning. Where can we find the answers to these guestions and these desires? Until satisfied, we are left questioning, longing, and searching.

The Search video series guides viewers through an arc of seven episodes, examining the great big story of everything—life and death, sorrow and happiness, science and faith—as astrophysicists, psychologists, astronauts, neuroscientists, professors, athletes, artists, and the beauty of the cosmos all point to one big (and perhaps surprising) conclusion: that Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church have the best and most satisfying answers to every one of the questions and desires of the human heart.

We will gather on the following Thursday's in the Gathering Space Meeting Room from 6:30-8:00pm to embark on the adventure of The Search: February 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, March 7 and 21. To register for *The* Search, contact Jennifer at davolvaff@diodav.org. Cost of the workbook is \$10, payable the first night of the study. Registrations are due by Monday January 29.



As we start 2024, The Our Lady of Victory Foundation offers the following ways to support our mission.

- Use the Foundation envelope found in your envelope packet.
- Online payments via our website.
- Planned Giving: Remember the Our Lady of Victory Foundation in your will and/or as a beneficiary of an insurance policy or other investment.
- Memorial Giving: Giving can be in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion.
- Sharing an organization's blessings: The Foundation is pleased to accept a portion of a group's proceeds so they can make an impact for years to come.
- Victory Vouchers: When you fill out the Victory Voucher rebate form, designate the OLV Foundation as the beneficiary of your earnings.

Please visit the OLVJFK.com website for further details. Thank you for your consideration.

The purpose of the Foundation is to receive and invest funds to be a source of financial support to our parish and our school.

Stewardship Moment

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is striking. Good stewards know that we too are called to share our gifts out of gratitude for everything that we have been given. The gifts we bring—time, service, and a portion of our earnings—are equally precious in God's sight.





The Hunger Ministry continues to serve hot meals every other month at Zion Lutheran Church. There is a sign-up sheet for donations in the Gathering Space. The Parish provides hot chicken. Please sign up to bring one of the following: potatoes, salad, vegetables, desserts, or bottled water. Please bring enough to serve 12-15 people in a disposable dish. There is a box of foil pans under the sign-up table for your use.

Please bring your donations to the Parish Center on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, between 3:15 and 5:00. If you have questions, please call or text Barb, 563-209-7988. Thank you.



Ladies Council Meeting

The next Ladies Council Meeting will be held on January 14th at 1:00pm in the Gathering Space Meeting Room. All ladies of the Parish are welcome to attend. Circles, please have a member present at the meeting.



President Richard Nixon proclaimed January 1970 as the first National Blood Donor Month on December 31, 1969. This month continues to be celebrated each year to thank America's blood donors and encourage more people to donate blood.

The winter months are especially challenging time for the blood community due to weather-related events like severe storms and debilitating snow, ice, and cold that can impact blood drives and complicate the ability to transport lifesaving blood to hospitals for patients in need.

To donate blood, please contact one of the following organizations to find a local blood collection site and to schedule an appointment:

- AABB: www.WhereToDonateBlood.org
- American Red Cross (309) 743-2166
- Impact Life 800-747-5401



The first caregiver support group, Nourish will be meeting Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 1pm in the Gathering Space Meeting Room (topic to be announced.) Please join us if you are a caregiver for a spouse, child, neighbor, parent, or friend. We look forward to seeing you!



GriefShare, OLV's grief support group is starting their next session on SUNDAY, February 4th from 12:30-2:30pm in the Gathering Space Meeting Room. Watch future bulletins for more information. If you suffered a loss or multiple losses, we can help you through your grief and make it more manageable.



If you or a family member would like a visit or an anointing prior to or while in the hospital, please contact:

Parish Office: 563-391-4245 Emergency phone: 563-293-1177 Email: davolv@diodav.org

Or ask the hospital chaplain to do so. As a reminder, Genesis and Trinity Hospitals do not notify the parish office or priests when a parishioner is admitted to the hospital. As always, in the event of an emergency please call the emergency line. Thank you! We can also arrange for a follow-up phone call, visit or communion from one of our Health Advocates after you have been discharged.

Our Lady of Victory Singles Adult Ministry

January Events

- January 7th Singles movie night 4 pm. GSMR bring snacks NEED IDEAS FOR 2 movies.
- January 11th Game night PC-T 5:30 PM pizza RSVP to Jim: 563-343-1386
- January 14th OLV Luncheon, 1:30 PM Red Robin 3903 E 53rd ST RSVP to Jim: 563-343-1386
- January 21st Singles movie night 4 pm GSMR BRING SNACKS need ideas for 2 movies. RSVP by Jan. 19th to Jim: 563-343-1386
- January 25th Game night PC-T, 5:30 PM pizza will be served. RSVP to Jim: 563-343-1386



TMIY at Our Lady of Victory Spring 2024! Topics include:

The Strength to ServeInitiators of Love

•To Be A Man

• A Limitless Love

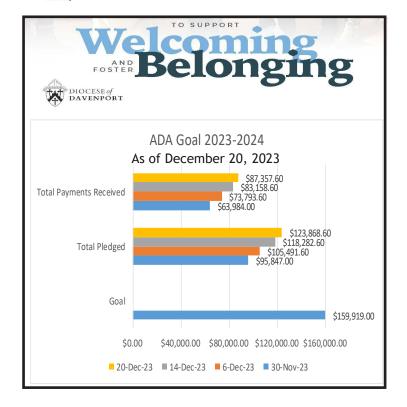
•The Wild Goose and more!

Starts January 20th Speakers Include:

- Jason Evert
- Steve Bollman
- John Pridmore
- •Fr. Dave Pivonka, and more!



If you would like more information, contact Matt: (563) 293-1610 or olvtmiy@gmail.com



Church/Parish Office

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Deacon Marc Mosse Deacon John Wagner

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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: Nancy Gusse: 563-386-1462 Debbie Kelly: 563-391-9021

