OUR LADY OF VICTORY

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A MESSAGE FROM FR. PATRICK

Last year at this time we were talking about the scaffolding and the roof that was being replaced by hail damage. This year as we present our ANNUAL PARISH REPORT there are many other things to report in regards to our parish. I am reminded that the Harvest Dinner for the Our Lady of Victory Foundation is this coming week and one of the major projects that has just been completed was the Handicap access door on the Division Street entrance. This project was a result of the weekend that the Foundation spoke to the parish at the end of Mass, and someone mentioned that the door would be a good project. A year later it is a REALITY and that is so nice for people who need that special access.

Other major projects that have been accomplished recently are the re-sealing of the parking lot, staining the exterior woodwork of the church and asbestos abatement and putting new flooring in two of the classrooms at John F. Kennedy School to name just a few of the things that have been done to keep our campus looking beautiful! The playground project which was mostly completed also added a couple of nice trees and a bench to make the area even more welcoming.

Fall is a time that draws our attention to THANKSGIVING and I would like to draw your attention to the generosity of our parish in a variety of ways that is described in the Annual Parish Report. The financial generosity is simply one aspect of what our parish has done to accomplish so many good things. Please take the time to look at the unbelievable OUTREACH that our parish has done through the Ribbon Tree, Hunger Ministry, Hospice cookies, Wishing Well for nursing home residents and the Mission Co-op which was taken up for Uganda. Think about the parishioners and others who came to know Jesus in a new and stronger way through our catechesis of Adult studies, TMIY, SHE (new), CEW, Youth and Family Engagement to name just some of the programs. We are truly THANKFUL to everyone who has made these things possible!

You will notice that we continue to grow and thrive as an active and vibrant parish. Our school has also grown to 450 students with three sections of Kindergarten. This Annual Report gives us a clear picture of where we stand. I would like to especially THANK Judy Johnson for the countless hours that she has spent with so many things around our parish. She put together this AMAZING report. Judy is stepping aside from our Finance Council after MANY years of service. She has devoted so much time and effort to STEWARDSHIP and I feel that this report reminds us that we are a parish that totally understands what Stewardship is all about. Judy, while you take a break from some things, we all know your heart and soul is in this parish! We are THANKFUL for all that you have done!!!

Our Lady of Victory, pray for us!

WHAT A JOYFUL DAY AT OUR PARISH PICNIC!

by Jeremy Siebler

What a day to remember! Our Parish Picnic was filled with laughter, smiles, and the kind of fellowship that makes our parish family so special. From the moment the first tables were set to the last dish packed away, the spirit of community could be felt everywhere.

The food table was overflowing with generosity and flavor! Thank you to everyone who brought a dish to share. From savory casseroles to sweet desserts, there was something for everyone — and plenty of second (and third!) helpings to go around. It was a feast that not only filled our plates but also filled our hearts with gratitude for the abundance we share as a parish family.

A heartfelt thank you also goes out to our amazing volunteers. Whether you were setting up tables, running games, serving food, or staying late to help with clean-up, your time and energy made the day possible. Because of your hard work behind the scenes, everyone else could simply relax, connect, and enjoy themselves. Most importantly, thank you to every parishioner who came out to celebrate. Your presence, your laughter, and your joyful spirits were what truly made the day shine. Together, you created the kind of memories that strengthen our bonds as a community of faith.

Because of you — our parishioners, cooks, and volunteers — our picnic was not just an event, but a celebration of who we are as a parish family. Here's to many more joyful gatherings in the years to come!



CREATING TOMORROW'S PARISH TODAY

by: Bernie Mack

As we gathered in fellowship and faith throughout this summer and into the fall, many parishioners have taken time to reflect on the future of Our Lady of Victory by participating in

our strategic planning initiative. Thanks to your active participation, we've begun shaping a shared vision rooted in hope, stewardship, and community. In harmony with this effort, the OLV Foundation's theme—
"Creating Tomorrow's Parish Today"—calls us to imagine a vibrant, welcoming, and spiritually nourishing parish that not only serves the needs of today's families, but also those yet to come.

The Role of Our Parish Foundation

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At the heart of this vision is our Parish Foundation, which plays a crucial role in supporting our community's growth and sustainability. The foundation distributes its earnings back to the parish, providing essential funding for programs, facilities, and outreach initiatives that enrich our spiritual life. By contributing to the foundation, you are investing in the future of our parish and ensuring that we can continue to serve our community effectively.

Benefits of Donating to the Parish Foundation

Sustaining Our Mission: Your donations help sustain our parish's mission by providing financial support for various ministries and programs. This ensures that we can continue to offer spiritual education, community outreach, and support for those in need.

Enhancing Facilities: Contributions to the foundation allow us to maintain and improve our parish facilities. Whether it's upgrading our worship space, enhancing community gathering areas, or investing in technology for virtual services, your support helps create a welcoming environment for all.

Fostering Spiritual Growth: Donations enable us to develop and expand programs that nurture the spiritual growth of our members. From youth ministries to adult education, your generosity helps us provide resources and opportunities for everyone to deepen their faith.

Building Community Connections: By supporting the foundation, you help fund community engagement initiatives that bring people together. This includes social events, service projects, and outreach programs that strengthen our bonds and foster a sense of belonging.

Creating a Lasting Legacy: Your contributions to the foundation are an investment in the future of our parish. By helping to grow the foundation, you ensure that future generations will have the resources they need to thrive in their faith and community.

Creating tomorrow's parish today is a collective effort that requires the participation and commitment of every member of our community. By embracing change, fostering engagement, nurturing spiritual growth, building a welcoming environment, and planning for the future, we can lay a strong foundation for a vibrant parish that thrives for generations.

We invite you to consider making a donation to our Parish Foundation. Together, we can make our vision a reality—today and for tomorrow. Your support is vital in helping us create a parish that reflects the love of Christ and serves as a guiding light in our community.

Thank you for your continued commitment to our parish and for considering a contribution to our foundation.

Together, we can build a brighter future for all.

In faith and gratitude,

Our Lady of Victory Foundation

Officers: Mike Matthys, Roni Pianca, Kathy Peterson and Joe Creen Members: Rev. Patrick Hilgendorf (ex-officio), Dan Haverkamp, Mike Lazio, Bernie Mack, Denny Prior, Jodi Siebler, Mike Strajack, and Jenny Van Genderen

HEALTH MINISTRY AND WELLNESS TEAM UPDATE

by Char McGovern

This past year has been a truly active and rewarding one for our Health Ministry and Wellness teams. Together, we've worked to support the physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being of our parish community through a wide variety of programs and outreach efforts.

We began with Life Inventory, a thoughtful discussion on the many practical steps to consider as we age. We also offered life-saving skills training, including CPR, AED, and Stop the Bleed, led by local EMTs. Our teams supported parish events such as the Spring Fling Tea Party, and we hosted a successful book sale, with proceeds funding two \$500 scholarships for parishioners pursuing studies in health and wellness. In addition, we led two GriefShare sessions, assisted with blood pressure clinics, continued Nourish—OLV's caregiver support group—and launched our very first Medicare informational meeting. We also continued the comforting work of the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

Beyond programs, our ministry has been present with parishioners in their times of need. We visited the sick in hospitals, homes, and nursing facilities; made countless phone calls to assist with health care decisions; attended visitations and funerals to say our final goodbyes; and delivered casseroles and Holy Communion to those unable to attend Mass.

Through all these efforts, we strive to live out Christ's call to care for one another in body, mind, and spirit.



VICTORY 4 LIFE

by Julie Gill

October is designated as Respect Life month. To recognize this, the ministry will be having a drive up diaper drive on Sunday, October 12th from 12:00-2:00 in front of the church. Both the Woman's Choice Center and Pregnancy Resources are in constant need of diapers, wipes, baby formula, clothing, and other infant items which are given out for free to families in need. Due to the increase in demand this year, the Women's Choice Center has needed to change their policy to only giving our free diapers to families with children ages Newborn to 2 years. Previously diapers were given until the age of 3. So the need is great! Please consider donating any baby items, but especially diapers sizes 3 to 6 and wipes or formula. Of course these things may also be donated at any time in the V4Life bin at the bottom of the stairs in the entrance of the church. Thank you for your generosity!

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 4th, in the Parish Center at 6:00 pm. We would gladly welcome any new members who would like to help support LIFE! If you have questions please contact Emily at rauppemilym@gmail.com or call her at 563-349-7545.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

by Jennifer Wemhoff

This summer Adult Faith Formation and Victory 4 Life partnered to provide the study: Theology of the Body: God's Master Plan for your Life. Over 20 individuals signed up to participate in this study. You may be asking yourself "what is Theology of the Body?"

The Theology of the Body (TOB) is Pope John Paul II's teaching about the meaning of being human, focusing on how the human body is a "language" that reveals spiritual and divine truths about God's plan for life, love, and relationships. It asserts that humans are a unity of body and soul, created in God's image, and are inherently designed for a purpose of loving communion with God and others. TOB explores fundamental questions about existence, the original unity of humanity before the fall, and how Jesus's life, death, and resurrection restore this unity, enabling people to live in accordance with God's loving purpose.

During this study we had wonderful discussions. One comment that was most commonly said was: "I wish I

had the opportunity to learn about this earlier."

Jerry G. had this to say about the study: Theology of the Body is truly a gift given to the Catholic faithful worldwide from Saint John Paul II. Quite simply, Theology of the Body illustrates God's perfect design for humanity as it relates to one's physical being and the total giving of one's self to another in the one flesh union which occurs during a sacramental marriage of one man and one woman. TOB teaches about authentic love, a love that was demonstrated quite literally by Jesus to his church - we, the members of his church. John Paul II teaches that the foundational aspects of authentic love is a love demonstrated by a free, total, faithful and fruitful giving of oneself in the context of marriage. And with that, a respect for the dignity of life.

The world's culture today, and the prevailing secular worldview is oftentimes opposed to the tenets of Theology of the Body. The secular mindset is characterized by a "whatever makes you happy" approach to life and relationships. And in that mindset, the dignity of life, and desiring the best for others, is lost. Theology of the Body helps re-center dignity for life.



And another couple had to say about participating in this study:

Theology of the Body gave us a new perspective on our relationship with God and why we are loved by God. It gave us a better understanding of how sex in a marriage can bring us closer to God and better explains why sex outside of marriage is a detriment to our relationship with God.

There was such a positive response from those that participated in TOB that the conversation is continuing. A small group is talking about how to bring TOB to more people. If you are interested in learning more, contact Jennifer at davolvaff@diodav.org. Or watch the bulletin and other media for information.

Small Steps, Big Results ~ Inspired by The Little Flower by: Jammie Jamieson, Parish DRE

This year, our Religious Education classes and Family Faith Formation programs began on October 1st—the Memorial of Saint Thérèse of Lisieux. Inspired by this beautiful coincidence, we have chosen to look to St. Thérèse for guidance and to ask for her prayers throughout the year ahead for our catechists, staff, students, and families. We warmly invite all parishioners and friends of Our Lady of Victory to join us in this prayerful effort—through May and beyond!

It is fantastic to take a look at the lives of Saints, especially the ones who gave us their writings where they shared their love for Christ Jesus, as well as their personal experience with struggles in prayer life, sinfulness and living in this world with many distractions to pull us away from Christ. In her autobiography, The Story of a Soul, Thérèse said, "We live in an age of inventions." She was referring to Alexander Graham Bell's telephone and Thomas Edison's record player, as well as the introduction of an electric light bulb. At a young age, Thérèse, also known as 'The Little Flower', entered into religious life at a convent becoming a Carmelite. During those years she devoted herself to what she came to call her "little way" to holiness and followed closely what we find in *Hebrews 13:14-16*. She led a simple and quiet life of prayer, despite her growing up in the age of inventions and many distractions in the world. Her heart was filled with love and trust in God until she departed from this life at the age of 24.

Today, there are a great many more inventions and distractions and it can be hard to focus, or re-focus on simple, quiet and devoted time for prayer. It can be done, though, and it is so important, because as Saint Thérèse reminds us, "The world is thy ship and not thy home." This is not a permanent home for us and eternal life in Heaven with Christ is our ultimate goal. If we are a parent, a spouse, a pastor of souls: We have a great calling to help aid the faithful in reaching this goal. Fostering a strong prayer life by creating space, time and leading by example is a great way to do this. As The Little Flower shares with us, "For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven.

Fostering a strong prayer life by creating space, time and leading by example is a great way to do this. As The Little Flower shares with us, "For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy." We can and should turn to Christ in prayer at all times and we can offer Him all of our "actions of this day", as she wrote in her Morning Prayer. No matter how small the suffering we may offer up, or how little the voice that may utter the impromptu prayer, fruitfulness will come and intimacy with Jesus will flourish! The 'little way', small actions and young disciples can really make a large impact on our personal relationship with Jesus and on those around us.



"God invites us into a relationship with Him that is both personal and communal. He speaks to us through His Son, Jesus Christ, the Word-made-flesh. Prayer is our response to God who is already speaking or, better yet, revealing Himself to us. Therefore, prayer is not merely an exchange of words, but it engages the whole person in a relationship with God the Father, through the Son, and in the Holy Spirit." (USCCB) This month, I would like to extend an invitation to each of our parishioners to take a little time to look at and utilize an amazing digital resource provided to us by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: https://www.usccb.org/catholic-prayers

This user-friendly website allows the faithful to search by types of prayers for different occasions and offers wonderful guidelines and additional linked resources for meditation, Eucharistic Adoration, Stations of the Cross and prayer life in general. This little step taken by all of us could bring about a large field full of flowers!

Saint Thérèse, pray for us Sacred Heart of Jesus, we trust in you!











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Annual Parish Report

2025

July 1, 2024—June 30, 2025

A Year in Review

This report includes highlights from diverse ministries within our parish, as well as an overview of our financial status. So much of what we can be proud of and grateful for has been accomplished through the fine work of generous and dedicated people. Thank you for sharing your gifts in so many ways. Your active engagement shines with the light of Christ!

Parish at a Glance



55 **BAPTISMS**



58 COMMUNIONS



47 **FUNERALS**



CONFIRMATIONS



12 **MARRIAGES**



16 ORDER OF CHRISTIAN **INITIATION OF ADULTS**

71 **NEW FAMILIES**

1,423 Households

3,897 **PARISHIONERS**



You Made a Difference!

200 **CHRISTMAS GIFTS** FOR THE **RIBBON TREE**

450 **HUNGER MINISTRY MEALS SERVED DOWNTOWN DAVENPORT**

5,760 **COOKIES FOR CLARISSA COOK**

HOSPICE HOUSE

WISHING WELL **GIFTS FOR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS**

104

\$11,215 MISSION CO-OP **BUILDING HOPE 4 KIDS**

(UGANDA)

Our Lady of Victory is a community that lives and shares the preaching, teaching and healing of Christ.

LIVING OUR MISSION. The Eucharistic liturgy is the source and summit of our parish life. In addition to Mass, we offer blessings for expectant parents, Stations of the Cross, weekly Holy Hour, remembrance of our loved ones on All

Souls Day, the rosary and numerous prayer services that inspire our souls and bring us closer to the Lord.

Firmly committed to lifelong learning we offer small group studies, Christian Experience Weekends, Youth + Family Engagement, TMIY, plus various health and wellness workshops. JFK School was home to 401 K-8 students, while our youth ministry and faith formation programs were beehives of activity where students explored Catholic beliefs and practices.

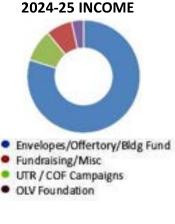
We enable our members to grow as one family with quality activities like the parish picnic, Spring Fling luncheon, Trunk or Treat, fellowship for single adults and golden-agers, Euchre and Parish Appreciation nights, Thanksgiving dinner, plus care packages for college students preparing for finals.

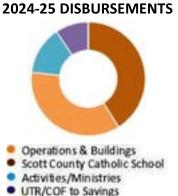
We answered the call to help others with prayer shawls, Kids Against Hunger meal packaging, Christmas gifts for nursing homes and children, blankets and warm clothing for the homeless, diapers and baby wipes for young parents, bi-monthly Hunger Ministry Meals, and the Little Food Pantry.

The Financial Picture

| INCOME AND EXPENSE SUMMARY | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|--|--|
| | 2024-2025 | | 2025-2026 | | |
| | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budget</u> | | |
| INCOME | | | | | |
| Envelopes/Offertory | 1,345,370 | 1,281,781 | 1,309,500 | | |
| Building Fund/Facility Rentals | 96,200 | 111,699 | 95,500 | | |
| Fundraising/Fees/Misc. | 76,500 | 76,907 | 47,900 | | |
| SCRA Grant | 54,547 | 54,547 | 0 | | |
| Cultivating Our Future Campaign (COF) | 0 | 14,182 | 0 | | |
| OLV Share—Upon This Rock (UTR) | 0 | 147,526 | 50,000 | | |
| Transfer from Foundation | 65,200 | 60,174 | 85,000 | | |
| Total | \$1,637,817 | \$1,746,816 | \$1,587,900 | | |
| | | | | | |
| DISBURSEMENTS | | | | | |
| Operations/Buildings Expense | 623,749 | 614,718 | 733,380 | | |
| Scott County Catholic Schools Expense | 703,528 | 703,528 | 187,023 | | |
| Activities/Ministries Expense | 197,956 | 180,887 | 230,556 | | |
| SCRA Grant Expense (Playground) | 54,547 | 54,547 | 0 | | |
| COF/UTR Funds Transferred to Savings | 0 | 161,708 | 50,000 | | |
| Total | \$1,579,780 | \$1,715,388 | \$1,200,959 | | |
| | | | | | |
| OPERATIONAL GAIN | <u>58,037</u> | <u>31,428</u> | <u>386,941</u> | | |

INCOME AND EXPENSE SUMMARY





Notes & Highlights

- A \$170,000 project to replace school playground equipment was funded by an SCRA grant, federal COVID relief grant, a distribution from the OLV Foundation and miscellaneous donations.
- Our parish share from the diocesan *Upon This Rock* campaign equals 20% of every dollar paid by OLV members to this fund drive. As previously determined, parish share dollars are restricted for future capital improvement projects.
- A \$60,000 payment was applied to the mortgage at QC Bank & Trust using residual funds from the *Cultivating Our Future* campaign. Mortgage balance is \$110,000 and \$30,682 remains in the campaign account. Earnings on this investment are higher than interest paid on the mortgage.

State of the Parish

| BANK ACCOUNTS | | LIABILITIES | |
|--|-----------|----------------------------------|---------|
| Parish Checking | 51,909 | Payroll Liabilities | 3,288 |
| Associated Organization Accts. | 77,291 | Diocesan Collections | 930 |
| Mass Stipends | 5,998 | Mass Stipends | 5,998 |
| Payroll Checking | 500 | Catholic Messenger Subscriptions | 8,446 |
| Victory Vouchers | 10,534 | Misc. Charity Fund | 4,457 |
| OTHER ASSETS | | Food Pantry Donations | 2,962 |
| Parish Savings | 138,254 | Misc. Payables | 9,499 |
| Restricted Savings (COF/UTR/Special Projects) | 247,055 | | |
| Investment Account | 465,861 | QCBT Mortgage | 110,000 |
| Receivables (due from SCCS) | 4,846 | - | |
| TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS | 1,002,248 | TOTAL LIABILITIES | 145,580 |

Finance Council Members: Fr. Patrick Hilgendorf; Bernie Mack, Lay Director; Molly Crosby, Lay Director; Hollie Matthys; Randy Peterson; Mike Strajack; Dave Hinchman, Parish Council Representative. Detailed financial statements are available at the parish office. We are happy to answer questions about the financial condition of our parish.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY LADIES COUNCIL

by Maureen Mosse

The Ladies Council has been part of Our Lady of Victory since the parish began. All women of the parish are members, and together we provide service, support, and community through parish events, outreach ministries, and the work of our Ladies Circles.

Active Circles

- St. Elizabeth Seton Circle coordinates Social Sundays with donuts after Mass, organizes the Wishing Well at Christmas for nursing home residents, and contributes to the Bazaar with pies and baked goods.
- St. Anne's Circle welcomes and farewells priests with receptions, stocks the OLV Little Food Pantry, hosts Euchre Night and Bingo, and runs the Candy Booth at the Bazaar.
- Community of Saints Circle is a prayer network of 50+ members who lift up parish and community needs through a phone tree ministry.
- Queen of Heaven Circle provides funeral luncheons, supports the Angel Blanket ministry, contributes to parish liturgical needs, and sponsors outreach such as Friendly House, Café on Vine, and One Eighty. They also run the Bazaar raffle.

Council-Wide Events & Outreach

The Ladies Council raises funds through the annual Rummage Sale, Bazaar, and Gently Used Christmas Sale. Proceeds support parish needs and local charities including St. Anthony's Window, Women's Choice Center, Pregnancy Resources, Veterans Outreach, and Davenport Public Library. We also host Social Saturdays and welcome new parishioners with a wine-and-cheese reception.

Parish & School Support

Over the years, the Council has provided major improvements for the parish and John F. Kennedy School, including:

- New roof for the gym and rectory, new Pella windows and doors
- Over \$100,000 raised to retire parish debt
- \$25,000 toward the "Cultivating Our Future" campaign
- Repairs to stained glass windows (\$30,000)
- Furniture, appliances, altar needs, and kitchen supplies
- Support for youth, Knights of Columbus, and parish celebrations
- Coming soon: a new lighted sign at the rectory and a new tarp for the JFK gym

Get Involved

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The Ladies Council plays a vital role in the life of Our Lady of Victory, but there is always room for more hands and hearts. Consider joining a Circle—or even starting a new one such as a New Moms' Circle or Working Women's Circle. Your time and talents

Ladies Council Maureen Mosse, President | Deanne Mainey, Vice President | Kathy Murphy, Secretary |

Sheila Feipel, Treasurer

JOIN JEK HOME & SCHOOL FOR A SPOOKY NIGHT OF FAMILY FUN!

TRUNK OR TREAT & MONSTER BASH SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

ORDER OF EVENTS:

ATTEND OLV MASS AT 4:30PM

TRUNK OR TREAT 5:30PM - 6:30PM

SOUTH PARKING LOT

DRESS IN COSTUME & DECORATE YOUR TRUNK!



JFK SCHOOL

KARAOKE W/ MR. DAY | HAUNTED HALLWAY | CRAFTS
BAKE SALE | DECORATED PUMPKIN CONTEST | RAFFLE

\$5/KID ENTRANCE FEE

(KIDS UNDER 3 & ADULTS ARE FREE)
CASH OR CHECK WRITTEN TO SCCS

SWEET LEMON FIZZ WILL BE ON SITE SERVING UP DELICIOUS DRINKS!

LET UNCLE BILL'S TAKE CARE OF DINNER IN BETWEEN EVENTS! PRE-ORDER TODAY!

PRE-ORDER & PAY BEFORE OCTOBER 20TH - PICK-UP PIZZAS IN THE CAFETERIA AT 6:00PM





PRE-ORDER
YOUR PIZZA HERE:













CHRISTMAS CAROUSEL BAZAAR

by Deanne Mainey

Mark your calendars! Our annual Christmas Carousel Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 1 from 8:00 AM-3:00 PM and Sunday, November 2 from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM in the

JFK School Cafeteria and Gym.

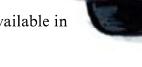
The Ladies' Council and Circles are busy preparing for this wonderful tradition and invite you to come shop, enjoy, and support the parish. Over the years, proceeds from the Bazaar have helped purchase many important items for both the parish and the school—your support truly makes a difference!

You'll find a wide variety of treasures, including holiday decorations, homemade candies, baked goods, jewelry, and more. And don't forget—Mr. and Mrs. Claus will be stopping by again this year to spread holiday cheer!

If you'd like to be a consignor, please complete an application. All Bazaar items must be handmade or homemade. Set-up begins Friday, October 31 after school dismissal (around 3 PM). Volunteers are also needed throughout the weekend—cashiers, helpers in the holding area, and assistants in the gym to answer shoppers' questions. Cleanup help will be especially appreciated on Sunday afternoon. Students seeking service hours are welcome to join in as well.

There will also be opportunities to donate baked goods, candymaking supplies, and kitchen items. Gift cards or cash donations to support these needs are always welcome—please make checks payable to OLV Ladies' Council.

And don't miss your chance to win big! Raffle tickets will be available in October in the Gathering Space, with a \$1,000 Grand Prize.





🌲 🦖 Santa and Mrs. Claus Are Coming to OLV! 🦖 🎄

Get ready for some Christmas magic at our OLV Christmas Bazaar! On Saturday, November 1 (9 AM–3 PM) and Sunday, November 2 (9 AM-12 PM), you'll have the chance to visit Mr. & Mrs. Claus in person!

Children can write a letter to Santa, draw a festive picture, and even listen to a story from the Clauses themselves. It's the perfect way to kick off the holiday season with joy, laughter, and wonder. In the true spirit of giving, Santa and Mrs. Claus will also be accepting free-will donations to support the Oliver the Ninja Toy Drive. Toys will be donated to the Stead Family Children's Hospital. Bring the whole family, share the joy, and make lasting Christmas memories!





Surviving the Holidays

provides encouragement, support, and valuable tools to navigate the season

Join us for the Holiday Seminar Saturday, November 8th

Location

Our Lady of Victory Church - Gathering Space Meeting Room Time

8:30am - lite breakfast and registration. Program start promptly at 9am, ending at 11am. Contact Info

Register by calling: 563-391-4245

Cost \$10