



Our Lady of Victories Church

2217 J.F. Kennedy Boulevard, Jersey City, New Jersey 07304

Established 1917

December 21, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Advent

SERVED BY:

Pastor	Rev. Ralph D. Siendo
Administrative Assistant	Ritz G. Densing
Director of CCD	Gilda Salvo
Digital Catechist	Richard Punzalan
Music Director	Shanice Aquino
Parish Trustees	Rosemary Callaghan Feliciano Lim
Finance Chairperson	Edna Falconer Thompson

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY-FRIDAY

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD):

For CCD information, please contact Gilda Salvo at cccd@olvjc.org or visit our parish website <https://www.olvjc.org/evangelization>

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (O.C.I.A.)

For adults who are not baptized and wish to become members of the Catholic church, or Christians baptized into a non-Catholic church who wish to become a Catholic, or adult Catholics baptized as infants but have not received Communion and/or Confirmation. Please call the Parish Office or email Fr. Ralph at pastor@olvjc.org for more information.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Regular Baptisms are held every **first & third Sundays** of the month after the 12 Noon Mass. **There are no Baptisms during Lent.** Please stop by the Parish Office for Baptism Registration or call the Parish Office. Godparents must be Catholic and have received Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Visit our website <https://www.olvjc.org/baptism>

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples must make arrangements with a priest at least one year before the planned wedding date. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING FOR THE SICK:

Please call the Parish Office to request for a priest.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:

Email us at: contactus@olvjc.org or call the Parish Office at 201-433-4152

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US IN OUR EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

THE LORD'S DAY:

Saturday (Vigil)	5:00 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon
Weekdays	8:30 AM AND 6:30 PM
Saturday	8:30 AM

WEEKLY DEVOTIONS:

Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Novena

Mondays - after the 8:30 AM and 6:30 PM Mass

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

Wednesdays - 6:00 PM (before the 6:30 PM Mass)

HOLY HOUR EVERY FRIDAY at 6:00 PM

Exposition, Silent Adoration, No Benediction,
Reposition, and Mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:30 - 5:00 PM or by appointment

OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Victories Roman Catholic Parish is a community of the faithful,
committed to celebrating and communicating the spirit of Jesus,
not only by our words, but also by our actions.

Together, we will strive to continue Christ's mission:

to teach, to bless, to heal, and to reconcile one another to the Father through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Mass Intentions For The Week

Please pardon us for any omissions or misspelling

SATURDAY - December 20 (Sunday Vigil)

- ◆ 5:00 PM + Lina Cruz Gutierrez
+ Julia Carmen G. Seriosa (Birthday in Heaven)

SUNDAY - December 21 Fourth Sunday of Advent

- ◆ 8:00 AM Nueva Elma (Birthday Blessings)
Ian Isaac (Birthday Blessings & For Healing)
- ◆ 10:00 AM + Rodolfo Masinsin
- ◆ 12:00 NN Mark Fargas (Birthday Blessings)
+ Alfonso Macatangay (40th Day in Heaven)

MONDAY - December 22

- ◆ 8:30 AM + Jerome Offemaria
+ Freddie Ocasio
- ◆ 6:30 PM + Lina Cruz Gutierrez

TUESDAY - December 23 St John of Kanyt

- ◆ 8:30 AM + Anastacia Padua (1st Death Anniversary)
- ◆ 6:30 PM + Rev. Campion Langan, OFM Conv.

WEDNESDAY - December 24

- ◆ 8:30 AM + Souls in Purgatory

MASSES FOR THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

- ◆ 5:00 PM In Thanksgiving—Sisoukraj Family
- ◆ 10:00 PM Jesus Cornelio (Birthday Blessings)

THURSDAY - December 25 The Nativity of the Lord

- ◆ 8:00 AM + Richard F. & Richard A. McCaig
- ◆ 10:00 AM + Manuel L. Ferrer (Birthday in Heaven)
- ◆ 12:00 NN + Patsy & Rose D'Arrico

FRIDAY - December 26 St Stephen

- ◆ 8:30 AM + Edgardo Jarencio (2nd Death Anniversary)
- ◆ 6:30 PM Teresita Alvarez & Zosima Evangelista
(Birthday Blessings)

SATURDAY - December 27 St John the Apostle

- ◆ 8:30 AM + Paciencia Domaoan (Birthday in Heaven)
+ Ravilyne C. Sañga (40th Day in Heaven)

SATURDAY - December 27 (Sunday Vigil)

- ◆ 5:00 PM + Esteban T. Fadullon, Jr.

SUNDAY - December 28 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

- ◆ 8:00 AM + Virginia Cesario (Birthday in Heaven)
- ◆ 10:00 AM + Inocencia Gutierrez (Birthday in Heaven)
- ◆ 12:00 NN + Black Nazarene Devotees



Masses for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
(Observed as a Holy day of Obligation in 2026)

December 31, 2025 at 5:00 PM
January 1, 2026 at 8:30 AM and 12:00 NN

SANCTUARY CANDLE:



In Memory of Deceased Members of
Matassa & Bedford Families



WINE & HOSTS:

In Memory of
Mary E. & Joseph H. Skrocki
and Joseph Jude Skrocki
From the Family

*Let us remember all those who have
asked for our prayers especially the sick
and suffering of our parish.*



Karen & James McCaig, Louis Pavlichko,
Mateo Vitale, Kim Vitale, Loretta Busniak, Raul Tan,
Robert B., May Gonzales, Susan Gonzalo, Tess Perez,
Jose Veloso, Grace Collelo, Rowena Linga, Loretta
Kallighan, Josef Mendiola, L.D., Michael Loretti,
Margaret Romano, Mary Ann McGrath, C.Balbin,
Travis Lorenzo, Lord Rheo Matias, Mario Jaranilla, Sr.
Carol Marie, Felimon Bagares, Jr., Rubenstein Joseph,
Ray Agcaoili, Louis Redondo, Necita Racelis, Joan
Scerbo, Fr. Victor Paloma, Dr. Emma Mangosing, Dia
Domaoan, Jeanette Tait, Artis Santos, Verna Obanon,
Rowena Yaptangco, Diwata Villanueva, Rodrigo
Tapales, Diane Fleming, William Perez, Angelica
Roa Pascual, Felina Gutierrez Ilaga, Milagros Rustia,
Sheila Pormentilla, Helen O'Connor, Chico Ramchal,
Imelda Macalindong, Hernani and Araceli Blancaflor,
Aurora Garcia, Lourdes David, Alma Gomez, Catalina
Sta. Maria, Rose Ann Lampasi.

***Please note that only family members can request the names of
their sick loved ones be published in the Bulletin.***

Our Weekly Collection

Sunday Collection 12/14/25 \$2,746.00

Christmas Flowers Collection \$1,343.00

Our Mother of Perpetual Help \$52.00

The survival of a parish relies on the generosity of its parishioners' time, talents and treasures. Without such generosity, we, as a parish church, could not function. The good Lord rewards you for your generosity and sacrifice. Thank you to those who faithfully use their envelopes in church, and those who catch up by sending in their donations each week through the mail or dropping them off in the Rectory. We are also very grateful to our ministries who keep the people of our parish actively involved. And lastly, thank you to our selfless volunteers who always assist us in every way they can. OLV Parish is truly blessed.

EMs and Lectors for DEC 24-25, 2025

Christmas Eve/Christmas Day					
Minister/Date	Wed, Dec 24 5PM	Wed, Dec 24, 10PM	Thu, Dec 25 8AM	Thu, Dec 25 10AM	Thu, Dec 25 12NN
Lector1	Riza Sotto	Helen Pacio	Jimmy Buenviaje	Ritz Densing	Mila Umil
Lector2	Purita Legazpi	Bella Penetrante	Betty Buenviaje	Rosemary Callaghan	Dionisia Perez
EM	Marline Julmice	Tess Ong	Juliet Delos Reyes	Alma Redondo	Aurora Garcia
EM/Deacon	Carino Perez	Kit Balbin	Evelyn Tropel	Edna Falconer	Gina Agcaoili
EM	Marjorie Alzate	Armie Samson	Tessie Santos	Fel Lim	Linda Pambuena
Usher/Overseer	Carino Perez	Gigi Rapadas	Nueva Elma	Fel Lim	Tess Alvarez

Excerpt from Rejoice in the Lord

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

In this season of joy, we become aware once again that God is closer to us than we dare admit. Through the incarnation of Jesus, the Word made flesh, the immense, all-powerful, all-knowing God who created the universe has become *Emmanuel* (God-with-us). God's most profound intervention in human history—and in the lives of each one of us—shows beyond any doubt how much God cares for us. The fact that Jesus is born so humbly, in a stable surrounded by his loving family and by social outcasts (shepherds) and domestic animals, is a scandal by any human standard. We are conditioned to look for God among the wealthy and powerful, the "important people" who govern our society, who drive our economy and who control institutions of influence such as the media, our businesses, schools, social service and cultural institutions, and, yes, the Church.

But God surprises us. God inverts our values, showing us that the first will be last, the lowly will be raised up, the rich will be sent away empty, and the poor will inherit the Earth and all its treasures.

Christmas is a season of joy and hope. It's a time for giving and sharing all that we have received from God's abundance. The material gifts that we exchange at Christmas are symbols of the much deeper sharing God invites us to embrace. We are called to follow God's example, gratefully giving ourselves out of love for God and the human family. Have a Merry Christmas and God's peace in the New Year!

Sincerely yours in Christ the Redeemer,
Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark



"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that. The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."

- St. Stephen (December 26)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56
 Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66
 Wednesday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16;
 Lk 1:67-79
 Thursday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25;
 Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
 Night: Is 9:1-6; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
 Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
 Day: Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or
 1:1-5, 9-14
 Friday: Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22
 Saturday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
 Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17;
 Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

This Week at OLV

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
Dec 22-24	5:00am Simbang Gabi Mass	Church
Dec 24-26	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	
Dec 27	6:30pm Lord's Flock Praise & Worship Church Bsmt	
Dec 28	1:00pm El Shaddai Charismatic Group Church Bsmt	

Christmas
 BEGINS WITH
Christ

Announcement:

The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, December 24th to Friday, December 26th.

We wish you and your family a Blessed and Merry Christmas!



Dec.21: Blessing of Advent Candle, OLV Church 12NN Mass
 Dec.24: Christmas Eve Mass 10PM, OLV Church

Please visit our website at <https://www.olvjc.org/evangelization> for more information and updates.

EMs and Lectors for DEC 27-28, 2025

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Minister/Date	Sat, December 27, 5:00 PM	Sun, December 28, 8:00 AM	Sun, December 28, 10:00 AM	Sun, December 28, 12:00 PM
Lector1	Teresa Alejaga	Sister Eucharia	Rosemary Callaghan	Mila Umil
Lector2	Dorothy Tillano	Bella Penetrante	Edna Falconer	Gigi Rapadas
EM	Carino Perez	Evelyn Tropel	Alma Redondo	Eufronio Pena
EM	Marline Julmice	Vicky Bugarin	Tess Ong	Linda Pambuena
EM	Purita Legazpi	Tessie Santos	Nilda Cua	Tessie Llenera
Usher1/Overseer	Carino Perez	Marilyn De Guzman	Fel Lim	Tess Alvarez

Update Corner



WE ARE HIS
WITNESSES
<https://rcan.org/we-are-his-witnesses/>



Your Voice Matters! We have conducted more than 420 Listening Sessions throughout the Archdiocese. And we are still gathering insights. We want to ensure your input is included to help shape our future!

Scan the QR-code and click **“Model Feedback Form.”**
Please share your comments by **Dec. 31st.**



This Week on Formed

Week of December 21, 2025



The Story of Christmas | Benjamin Cello Christmas Special

In this special hour-long television event, Benjamin Cello and his friends travel to Pennywhistle Park for a spectacular shadow puppet retelling of "The Story of Christmas" by Brother Joseph and "The Shadow of His Wings" puppet theater.



Christmas | Sacred Art

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they look at the painting Adoration of the Shepherds by Gerard van Honthorst to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord. This famous painting reveals the Christ Child as the light that has come into the world and also depicts the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and the shepherds to be models of adoration to our humble Lord who came as a helpless baby.



What Catholics Believe About Christmas: Traditions, Santa Claus

Join Dr. Michael Barber as he answers some of the Internet's most popular questions about Christmas. What are the 12 days of Christmas? Was Santa Claus a real person? What is Advent?

Our parish has a Formed subscription.
Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

Your parish is your spiritual home. To register as a parishioner of Our Lady of Victories Church, simply fill out the form and drop it in the offertory basket or stop by the Parish Office.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____



2025 SIMBANG GABI
December 16 (Tuesday) to December 24 (Wednesday)
5:00 AM – Main Church

Tuesday, Dec 16	Our Lady of Peñafrancia Devotees, Sacred Heart Devotees, Victory Chicken House
Wednesday, Dec 17	Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotees, First Friday Eucharistic Adorers
Thursday, Dec 18	St. John's Prayer Group, Ushers
Friday, Dec 19	Divine Mercy Devotees, Our Lady of Fatima Devotees, Betty & Jimmy Buenaviaje, PACCAL
Saturday, Dec 20	Ss Peter & Paul Prayer Group, Our Lady of Manaoag Devotees
Sunday, Dec 21	The Lord's Flock Charismatic Group, El Shaddai Charismatic Group
Monday, Dec 22	Siendo & Dela Cruz Families
Tuesday, Dec 23	Barangay Sang Virgen Devotees, Black Nazarene Devotees
Wednesday, Dec 24	All Ministries (EMs, Lectors, Choir, and Altar Servers)



SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2026 @ 3PM

CATHEDRAL BASILICA

OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

89 Ridge St, Newark, NJ 07104

BISHOP BISMARCK CHAU, D.D.

Auxiliary Bishop of Newark

Main Celebrant and Homilist

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO BRING THEIR SANTO NIÑO FOR THE SINULOG PROCESSION
SINULOG GROUPS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE

PLEASE BRING BATTERY OPERATED CANDLES IF YOU HAVE ONE
BATTERY OPERATED CANDLES ARE AVAILABLE FOR SALE AS YOU ARRIVE AT THE CATHEDRAL

CHARTERED BUS TO THE CATHEDRAL AND BACK

HUDSON COUNTY

Kit Balbin - 201-240-5598 & Ritz - 2014334152

Kirby Macalinao - 929-513-2120; Manny Mercado 551-556-6802

BERGEN COUNTY

Rena Peneilla - 201-245-4970; Merly Hitch - 201-668-4813

Ed Ventura - 201-218-0842; Linda Ongtoco - 201-233-6455



Report Financial Misconduct Confidentially

If you suspect financial misconduct, use **EthicsPoint**, an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues while promoting positive parish, school and workplace environments. Visit www.rcan.org for the hotline and reporting link.