



Our Lady of Victories Church

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

Established 1917

August 23, 2026

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY-FRIDAY
9:00 AM—2:00 PM

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WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US IN OUR EUCCHARISTIC 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 5:30PM.

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD):

For CCD information, please contact Gilda Salvo at ccd@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

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 - August 22 (Sunday Vigil)

- ♦ 5:00 PM Teresa Alejaga (In Thanksgiving)

SUNDAY - August 23 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ♦ 8:00 AM † Emiliana Manalese
- ♦ 10:00 AM † Julito Soriano
† Laura Bailon (Birthday in Heaven)
- ♦ 12:00 NN William Perez (For Full Recovery)
In Thanksgiving—Marc Legend Milbin

MONDAY - August 24 St Bartholomew

- ♦ 8:30 AM † Salud L. Manlangit (Death Anniversary)
† Leomito Offemaria
- ♦ 6:30 PM Louis Pascual (Birthday Blessings)

TUESDAY - August 25 St Louis, St Joseph Calasanz

- ♦ 8:30 AM Lizette Pineda (For Good Health)
† Brady Pohjola
- ♦ 6:30 PM † Rev. Campion Langan, OFM Conv.

WEDNESDAY - August 26

- ♦ 8:30 AM † Amparo Quinan
- ♦ 6:30 PM Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotees
† Jeanne Gaub

THURSDAY - August 27 St Monica

- ♦ 8:30 AM † Mary E. Skrocki (6th Anniversary in Heaven)
- ♦ 6:30 PM † Blanche Malong

FRIDAY - August 28 St Augustine

- ♦ 8:30 AM † Pedro Lorenzo (Birthday in Heaven)
- ♦ 6:30 PM † Ana Christine Samson (Birthday in Heaven)

SATURDAY - August 29 The Passion of St John the Baptist

- ♦ 8:30 AM Maria Redondo (Birthday Blessings)

SATURDAY - August 29 (Sunday Vigil)

- ♦ 5:00 PM † Dante B. Corpuz (Birthday in Heaven)

SUNDAY - August 30 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ♦ 8:00 AM † Nenita Castillo
- ♦ 10:00 AM Gina Agcaoili (In Thanksgiving)
- ♦ 12:00 NN Black Nazarene Devotees
Demetria Cornelio (Birthday Blessings)

“Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you, my God.

Have mercy on me, O Lord,
for I cry to you all the day long.”

— Psalm 86:1-3

IN MEMORIAM

Fiorello Salvo

Renato Jimenez

“If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord.
So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.” –Romans 14:8

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

In Memory of Mary E. Skrocki
(6th Anniversary in Heaven)
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, Mateo Vitale, Kim Vitale, Loretta Busniak, Raul Tan, Robert B., May Gonzales, Susan Gonzalo, Tess Perez, Jose Veloso, Grace Collelo, Rowena Linga, Mary Ann McGrath, C.Balbin, Michael Loretto, Josef Mendiola, L.D., Margaret Romano, Travis Lorenzo, Lord Rheo Matias, Mario Jaranilla, Joan Scerbo, Sr. Carol Marie, Felimon Bagares, Jr., Rubenstein Joseph, Ray Agcaoili, Louis Redondo, Necita Racelis, Fr. Victor Paloma, Dia Domaoan, Jeanette Tait, Artis Santos, Verna Obanon, Rowena Yaptangco, Dr. Emma Mangosing, Diwata Villanueva, Rodrigo Tapales, Diane Fleming, William Perez, Felina Gutierrez Ilaga, Milagros Rustia, Sheila Pormentilla, Helen O’Connor, Chico Ramchal, Imelda Macalindong, Hernani and Araceli Blancaflor, Aurora Garcia, Lourdes David, Alma Gomez, Rose Ann Lampasi, Riza Sotto, Greg De Guzman, Michael Perez, Jose N. Gomez, Jr., Ria Charlene Punzalan

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 8/16/26 \$4,006.00

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary \$836.00

Church in Africa Collection \$574.00

Our Mother of Perpetual Help 8/12/26 \$100.00

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.

Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down,
shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with
the measure you it will be measured back to you. — Luke 6:38

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My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

In the Old Testament's First Book of Kings (19:11–13), we read that God manifested Himself to the prophet Elijah not in a mighty wind, an earthquake, or a roaring fire, but in “a light silent sound” or, in some translations, “a still small voice.” We are told that God whispers to us gently. He does not shout.

God often communicates with us through quiet, personal revelation rather than dramatic or overwhelming events, requiring believers to be attentive to hear Him. So, if we want to hear His voice—to encounter the living God—we ourselves must be quiet and attentive to what is being shared with us in the silence of our hearts.

Pope Leo tells us that “Jesus warns us against the temptation to think that God is a powerful figure who imposes himself by force, who takes over and dominates, or who arrives triumphantly.” Instead, the Holy Father says, “God favors smallness, a sign of his discreet love, by which he leaves us free to accept or reject him.”

This is the key to understanding the mind of God: Our Triune God loves us so much that He refuses to control or manipulate us. He wants us to be completely free. That's why He communicates with us in light, silent sounds. It's why He never imposes Himself on us but instead proposes His way of living and loving through parables and sayings that whisper to us (never shouting) what constitutes true happiness (beatitude). It is how God shows us that self-sacrificing, unselfish love is the only way to experience lasting joy.

Pope Leo reminds us that the Kingdom of God “grows invisibly like yeast in flour, and so we are freed from discouragement and invited to have faith even when it seems that God is absent.” In fact, the Holy Father stresses that God “is always with us, and His love is always ready to help us.”

May Mary, Mother of the Church, show us how to listen prayerfully to the still small voice of God. May her positive response to God's Word be a model for us as we grow in love and service to God and to all our sisters and brothers in Christ.

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

Thank You!!!

For your generous donations to our parish:

St John's Prayer Group \$75.00

OLV Parish is very grateful for your generosity!

This Week at OLV

WHEN

Aug 30 1:00pm El Shaddai Charismatic Group

WHAT

WHERE

Church Bsmt

“You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.” — Matthew 16:18



Please visit our website at **<https://www.olvjc.org/evangelization>** for more information and updates, especially information for the **2026-2027 Registration**.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mk 6:17-29

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

WHO IS JESUS?

Jesus poses the question “But who do you say I am?” in today’s Gospel passage. It is a question posed to Peter and the disciples, to Matthew’s first readers, and to the Church today. Peter’s confession of faith in Jesus as Christ and Son of God was a culmination of what the disciples had experienced in their life with Jesus thus far. Jesus affirms Peter’s declaration as a gift from God.

But it was only the beginning of Peter's understanding of what these words actually meant, and how the disciples saw themselves in light of this truth. As Jesus and the disciples turned toward Jerusalem and to the cross, the disciples perhaps pondered their own identity, together with their dawning understanding of Jesus' identity. For us, the journey of faith, initiated and sustained by the Holy Spirit, means an ongoing reflection upon who Jesus is and who we are.

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EMs and Lectors for AUG 29-30, 2026

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time				
Minister/Date	Sat, Aug 29, 5:00 PM	Sun, Aug 30, 8:00 AM	Sun, Aug 30, 10:00 AM	Sun, Aug 30, 12:00 PM
Lector1	Raul Navarro	Nueva Elma	Fel Lim	Marilyn De Guzman
Lector2	Benny Garcia	Dorothy Tillano	Alma Redondo	Cora Herrera
EM	Marline Julmice	Julietta De Los Reyes	Nilda Cua	Tess Alvarez
EM	Purita Legazpi	Tessie Santos	Emeterio Rodriguez	Lea Luis
EM	Carino Perez	Evelyn Tropel	Edna Falconer-Thompson	Maria Ana Suarez
Usher1/Overseer	Laly Rolle	Vicky Bugarin	Fel Lim	Gina Agcaoili

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PANSIT

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SUNDAY SEPT. 27, 2026

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Contact the OLV Office to reserve a table!

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Church Basement

Thank You for Supporting Our Parish!

SOMETHING

FOR

EVERYONE!



Feast of Our Lady of Peñafrancia
Schedule of Novena
Fellowship follows at the Church Basement

September 11, Friday	7:15 PM	Rev. Dennis Surban
September 12, Saturday	7:15 PM	Rev. Edgardo Jocson
September 13, Sunday	5:00 PM	Rev. Chris Panlilio
September 14, Monday	7:15 PM	Rev. Joseph Marabe
September 15, Tuesday	7:15 PM	Rev. Chris Panlilio
September 16, Wednesday	7:15 PM	Rev. Joseph Marabe
September 17, Thursday	7:15 PM	Rev. Philip Alindogan
September 18, Friday	7:15 PM	Rev. Doroteo Layosa
September 19, Saturday	12:00 NN	Rev. Ralph Siendo

Agape meal will follow the Fiesta Celebration
at 240 Ege Ave., Jersey City

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: _____



This Week on Formed
Week of August 23, 2026



The Confessions of St. Augustine | Littlest Saints

A child, a sinner, a saint. Join us as we share the story of St. Augustine, tailored to our children, as he wrestles with God and comes to the faith.



Feast of Saint Monica | Catholic Saints

Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss this great Saint.



Restless Heart

This film on the life of St. Augustine offers a message of conversion and redemption. It is the story of a gifted man who pursues fame and fortune without a moral compass - and the dramatic changes that occur in his soul when challenging events lead him to see the light of truth.

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

An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

ORATORY PREP SCHOOL:

We invite you to our OPEN HOUSE EVENTS on
Sunday, September 27, 2026 from 1-3 p.m., and
on Thursday, October 22, 2026 from 6-8 p.m.
Oratory Prep is located at 425 Morris Avenue,
Summit, NJ. We ask that you register to attend
on our website under the Admissions tab. For
further information, call 908-273-1084, ext. 1 or
visit us at www.oratoryprep.org.

Report Financial Misconduct Confidentially

If you suspect financial misconduct, use [EthicsPoint](https://ethicspoint.org), an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues and promote positive parish, school, and workplace environments. Visit www.rcan.org for the hotline and reporting link.

Report Sexual Misconduct Confidentially

The Archdiocese of Newark takes all allegations of sexual misconduct by clergy, religious, and lay staff seriously. We encourage anyone with knowledge of such acts to contact us so we can take appropriate steps to protect others and support victims of sexual abuse. Please call the Coordinator for the Office of Accompaniment in the Archdiocesan Department for the Protection of the Faithful at 201-407-3256 or visit www.rcan.org/protection-of-the-faithful for more information.

The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service receives reports of sexual abuse or misconduct by bishops and forwards them for investigation. To report abuse, visit www.reportbishopabuse.org or call 800-276-1562.