

Our Lady of Victories Church

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

Established 1917

February 18, 2024

First Sunday Of Lent

SERVED BY:

Pastor	Rev. Ralph D. Siendo
Parochial Vicar	Rev. Michael E. Gubernat
Administrative Assistant	Ritz G. Densing
Director of CCD	Gilda Salvo
Digital Catechist	Richard Punzalan
Music Director	Shanice Aquino
Parish Trustees	John Scanlon & Greg Racelis
Finance Chairperson	Nueva Elma

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY-FRIDAY

9:00 AM—3:00 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 WILL RESUME ON APRIL 5TH.

Please join us in the Stations of the Cross
before the 6:30PM Mass during Lent.

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>

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

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. Godparents must be Catholic and have received Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. First time parents are also required to attend a Baptism class which is held on the first Saturday of the month at the Parish Office. 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

SATURDAY - February 17 (Sunday Vigil)

- ◆ 5:00 PM—Gloria Lista

SUNDAY - February 18 First Sunday of Lent

- ◆ 8:00 AM—Robert Cahanap (1st Death Anniversary)
- ◆ 10:00 AM—For The People
- ◆ 12:00 NN —Edgardo Jarencio

**MONDAY - February 19 PRESIDENTS' DAY
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

- ◆ 8:30 AM—Antonio Fortaleza

TUESDAY - February 20

- ◆ 8:30 AM—In Thanksgiving for Good Health of Dumpit Family
- ◆ 6:30 PM—Rev. Campion Langan, OFM, Conv.

WEDNESDAY - February 21 St Peter Damian

- ◆ 8:30 AM—Mary E. & Joseph H. Skrocki
- ◆ 6:30 PM—Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotees

**THURSDAY - February 22 The Chair of
St Peter The Apostle**

- ◆ 8:30 AM—Gus Katsanis, Sr.
- ◆ 6:30 PM—Ludivina Fineza

FRIDAY - February 23 St Polycarp

- ◆ 8:30 AM—Armando Gutierrez (Birthday in Heaven)
- ◆ 6:30 PM—Juliana Endaya (Death Anniversary)

SATURDAY - February 24

- ◆ 8:30 AM—Francisco O. Delos Reyes

SATURDAY - February 24 (Sunday Vigil)

- ◆ 5:00 PM—Aurora Alcance (Birthday in Heaven)

SUNDAY - February 25 Second Sunday of Lent

- ◆ 8:00 AM—Milagros L. Cardenas
- ◆ 10:00 AM—Digna Fernando
- ◆ 12:00 NN —Black Nazarene Devotees

Please pardon us for any omissions or misspelling



During Lent, we will follow the Way of the Cross on Fridays at 6pm, prior to the 6:30 pm Mass. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will resume on Friday, April 5th.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS:



In Memory of Jane Scanlon - \$40.00

From husband, John

Anonymous Donation - \$100.00

SANCTUARY CANDLE:

**For the Intentions of
Alfredo and Katherine Francisco**



WINE & HOSTS:



**In Memory of Richard McCaig
(Birthday in Heaven)**

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, Elizabeth DeFalco, Raul Tan, Robert B., May Gonzales, Tess Perez, Susan Gonzalo, Jose Veloso, Grace Collelo, Angelita Peña, Rowena Linga, Loretta Kallighan, Josef Mendiola, L.D., Michael Loretto, Margaret Romano, Mary Ann McGrath, Travis Lorenzo, C. Balbin, Mario Jaranilla, Lord Rheo Matias, Sr. Carol Marie, Felimon Bagares, Jr., Rubenstein Joseph, Ray Agcaoili, Aurora Garcia, Rowena Diaz, Louis Redondo, Lenny Haynoski, Fr. Victor Paloma, Dr. Emma Mangosing, Nestor R. Ayuso, Jr., Eliseo B. Cardenas, Necita Racelis, John Scanlon, Legardo Miranda, Jean Scerbo, Dia Domaoan.

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 2/11/24 \$3,555.00

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.

Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord.

-Psalm 4:5

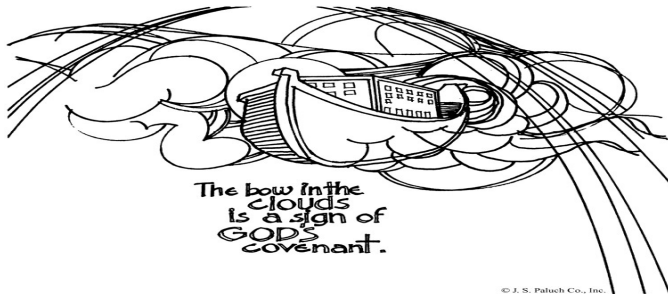
THE WORD IN LITURGY

The story of Noah sees in human sinfulness the corruption of the whole of creation, of which people are a part. God's judgement therefore comes upon everyone and everything. Like the forty days of Lent, forty days of deluge are required to purify the earth. This is strong medicine. The flood is a terrifying and cataclysmic disaster, signifying not only divine punishment through water (seen elsewhere in the Hebrew scriptures, for example, in the destruction of Pharaoh's army in Deuteronomy 11:14), but also an unleashing of the restraints placed upon the waters in creation, and a return to primordial chaos.

The penitential psalm, Psalm 51, is attributed to David after he repented of his adulterous and murderous acquisition of Bathsheba as his wife. The psalm displays full consciousness both of the depth of sin and the power of the compassion of God to redeem from sin those who have fallen.

Today's passage presents Noah's salvation through the flood as a "type" for baptism, a radical means of purification, an awesome work of God resulting in a new creation and an everlasting covenant. Lent is indeed a God-given time, a season of grace.

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February 18: In-Person Instruction (OLV Bldg.)
February 25: Remote Learning (God's Park)

Remember to visit our website at <https://www.olvjc.org/evangelization> for the latest updates or email Gilda Salvo at ccd@olvjc.org for any questions.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

LENTEN REFLECTION

Do you think about how difficult it must have been for Jesus to come into Galilee, knowing that John had just been arrested for teaching the same message that Jesus was proclaiming?

It must have taken great love and trust for Jesus to do what the Father had sent Him here on earth to do. In the same way, following a life of stewardship takes great love and trust from us. We must be willing to surrender completely to God, trusting that God will always give us all that we need to fulfill His plan for us.

This Week at OLV

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
Feb 19	Parish Office Closed	
21	7:00pm Holy Week Meeting	Rectory
23	6:00pm Stations of the Cross	Church
	7:30pm Line Dancing	Church Bsmt
24	9:00am Protecting God's Children	Rectory
	12:00nn Ocean of Mercy Healing Mass	Church
	6:30pm Lord's Flock Praise & Worship	Church Bsmt
25	2:00pm El Shaddai Charismatic Group	Church Bsmt

Thank You!!!

For your generous donations to our parish:

The Lord's Flock Healing Mass \$350.00
Missionary Families of Christ \$100.00
Line Dancing Group \$200.00

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Friday, March 29, 2024

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dramatic. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK **2024 LENTEN REGULATIONS**

The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the “paschal fast” to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily in His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and **two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**

Those between the age of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence “substantially”, or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 18, 2024 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 26, 2024.**

**Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE **ANNUAL ²⁰²⁴ APPEAL**

The 2024 Annual Appeal has begun. Our Goal for this year is **\$18,490**. Remember that if we surpass our goal, we will get a rebate and reduce our assessment rate. Please prayerfully think about your gift, which helps not only our parish, but the Archdiocese, and many sectors as well. Thank you for your generosity. *-Fr. Ralph*



Safe Environment Corner **How to Report Abuse**

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Call the Coordinator for the Office of Accompaniment in the Archdiocesan Department for the Protection of the Faithful at

201-407-3256

*Ss. Peter and Paul Prayer Group invites you to a 3-part
Lenten Reflection on*



Our Lady of Victories Lower Church
2217 JF Kennedy Boulevard, Jersey City, NJ

February 26, 2024, Monday (Part 1) - 7:30 pm

March 04, 2024, Monday (Part 2) - 7:30 pm

March 11, 2024, Monday (Part 3) - 7:30 pm

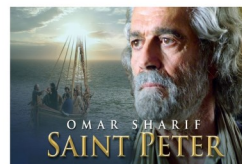
For more details, please call:

Lily Dumauval - (201) 527-8423
Purita Legaspi - (201) 985-9132

Mario Regalado - (551) 358-0626
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THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of February 18, 2024



Saint Peter

Watch the epic story of the spread of Christianity during the early years of the Church. This film follows the journey of St. Peter through his martyrdom on a cross.



The Afterlife | Eternal Rest | Episode 2

What happens after the moment of our death? Once the soul has been separated from the body, then what? What is heaven, hell, and purgatory? This session looks at the truth about what awaits the human person on the other side of death.



Week One | Restore: Lent with Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT

In the Week One video for the Restore Lent series, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, reflects on the theme of the week—the desert. She explains that Jesus is inviting you to move beyond your comfort zone and into the deepest places of your heart with him. It is Jesus who helps you root out the sin, sickness, and self-hatred in your life. Sr. Miriam assures us that we can look to him for comfort, love, and healing.

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