



Our Lady of Victories Church

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

Established 1917

December 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent

SERVED BY:

Pastor	Rev. Ralph D. Siendo
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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 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

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 - December 13 (Sunday Vigil)

- 5:00 PM + Loyda Nunez-Goldston

SUNDAY - December 14 Third Sunday of Advent

- 8:00 AM Norma Agoto (Birthday Blessings)
- 10:00 AM + Marcella Blackmon
- 12:00 NN + Ramona Infante

MONDAY - December 15

- 8:30 AM + Valeriano Lagutin
- 6:30 PM + Luz D. Camposacrado

TUESDAY - December 16

- 8:30 AM + Eliseo B. Cardenas
- 6:30 PM + Rita Langan

WEDNESDAY - December 17

- 8:30 AM + Rodolfo A. Masinsin
- 6:30 PM Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotees

THURSDAY - December 18

- 8:30 AM + Ramona Infante
- 6:30 PM Mariepet Galvez Mangosing (Bday Blessings)

FRIDAY - December 19

- 8:30 AM + Joseph J. Skrocki
- 6:30 PM Divine Mercy Devotees

SATURDAY - December 20

- 8:30 AM + Rodolfo A. Masinsin

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)
- 10:00 AM + Rodolfo Masinsin
- 12:00 NN Mark Fargas (Birthday Blessings)



“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.”
Isaiah 61:1



Simbang Gabi: December 16-24 @ 5AM
Christmas Eve Masses at 5PM and 10PM
Christmas Day Masses at 8AM, 10AM and 12NN

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

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 Loretto,
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
Domaosan, 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 12/7/25 \$4,476.00
Immaculate Conception of Mary \$626.00
Collection for Retired Religious \$657.00
Our Mother of Perpetual Help 12/10/25 \$83.00

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.

“Each one must give as he has decided in his heart,
not reluctantly or under compulsion,
for God loves a cheerful giver.”- 2 Corinthians 9:7

What is Joy?

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called Gaudete Sunday; *gaudete* means “let us rejoice” in Latin. We light the rose candle on this day to mark the fact that we are now closer to Christmas than the beginning of Advent. Jesus is near, and so we rejoice! In our world that is often marked by fear, darkness, and sadness, we Christians are called to be prophetically joyful.

What is joy, and how do we get more of it in our lives? Sometimes, life just feels too heavy and the burdens too great for us to be light in spirit and hopeful about the future of the world. But faith roots us in a destiny and purpose far greater than we can imagine. Understanding and embracing joy helps us through the dark nights of life. When we contrast joy with pleasure, satisfaction and happiness, it helps toward a greater understanding.

When we know that we are loved by God, when we have encountered His tender mercy, when we realize our deepest identity as beloved children of the Father, we experience the joy of the Kingdom of Heaven. No suffering, setback or sadness can rob us of joy if we stay rooted in the love of the Lord. We may lose all pleasure, satisfaction and happiness, but no one and nothing can take away our joy without our permission.

When we are tempted to let life rob us of peace and joy, we need to focus on the truth and meaning of Advent and Christmas: God coming to us in the poverty of our human condition; Jesus embracing everything within us that was lost, dark, and dead; the Lord opening us to mercy, forgiveness, and eternal life.

We know how the story of our lives and the history of the world will end; we have the book of Revelation. God, life, love, and joy win out over the forces of sin and death. When we know who we are and where we are going, life becomes joyful for us. As Saint Catherine of Siena said, “All the way to heaven is heaven because Christ is the Way.”



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Thank You!!!!

For your generous donations to our parish:

First Friday Eucharistic Adorers \$100.00

OLV Parish is very grateful for your generosity!

Prayer of the Week

Lord, come and save us. For all who are blind, open their eyes to the light of your promises. For all who are feeble or lame, strengthen their limbs that they might follow the path of truth and justice. For all who are dried up, quench their parched throats that their voices might bloom with songs of praise to you. For the broken and depleted, the crushed and downtrodden, lift and raise them from death’s clutches. Amen.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday:	Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Mt 21:23-27
Tuesday:	Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday:	Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17
Thursday:	Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25
Friday:	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25
Saturday:	Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38
Sunday:	Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

This Week at OLV		
WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
Dec 16-24	5:00am Simbang Gabi Mass	Church
Dec 20	12:00nn PACCAL	Church Bsmt
	3:00pm O.C.I.A.	Rectory
	6:30pm Lord’s Flock Praise & Worship	Church Bsmt
Dec 21	1:00pm El Shaddai Charismatic Group	Church Bsmt

Christmas

BEGINS WITH

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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!

Religious Education

2024-2025

Dec.14: Christmas Party after 12NN Mass, Church Basement

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 20-21, 2025				
4th Sunday of Advent				
Minister/Date	Sat, December 20, 5:00 PM	Sun, December 21, 8:00 AM	Sun, December 21, 10:00 AM	Sun, December 21, 12:00 PM
Lector1	Benny Garcia	Nueva Elma	Ritz Densing	Cora Herrera
Lector2	Purita Legazpi	Dorothy Tillano	Gene Marcos	Helen Pacio
EM	Marline Julmice	Julieta De Los Reyes	Tess Ong	Tess Alvarez
EM	Riza Sotto	Tessie Santos	Emeterio Rodriguez	Lea Luis
EM	Carino Perez	Sister Eucharía	Fel Lim	Maria Ana Suarez
Usher1/Overseer	Riza Sotto	Vicky Bugarin	Alma Redondo	Gina Agcaoili



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 Buenviaje, PACCAL
Saturday, Dec 20	Ss Peter & Paul Prayer Group, Our Lady of Manaog 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)

SISTERS OF CHARITY OF SAINT ELIZABETH

Christmas Concert

Father Alphonse Stephenson
conducting the Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea

Saturday, December 20, 2025 - 2 PM
Holy Family Chapel
Convent Station, NJ

Tickets \$75

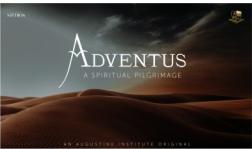
Your parish is your spiritual home. To register as a parishioner of Our Lady of Victories Church, simply fill out the form and drop it in the offertory basket or stop by the Parish Office.

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____



This Week on Formed

Week of December 14, 2025



Adventus: A Spiritual Pilgrimage

This Advent, make a spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Uncover the beauty of the place where Christ was born, preparing your heart for Christ's coming so you can enter more deeply into this season.



30 Minutes BC

30 Minutes BC creatively explores the profound emotions and intimate struggles of Mary and Joseph during the final 30 minutes before the birth of Jesus. As the clock ticks down, the couple navigates a whirlwind of hope, joy, and uncertainty, turning to God amidst it all.



Is Christmas Pagan? What Catholics Believe About Christmas

Dr. Michael Barber answers some of the Internet's most asked questions about Christmas. Is Christmas a pagan holiday? Why is Christmas celebrated on December 25? What happened at the "first Christmas"? Find out the answers to these and more!

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

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Sinulog 2026

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 NINO FOR THE SINULOG PROCESSION
SINULOG GROUPS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE

PLEASE BRING BATTERY OPERATED CANDLES IF YOU HAVE ONE
BATTERY OPERATED CANDLES ARA 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

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Rena Penecilla - 201-245-4970; Merly Hitch- 201-668-4813
Ed Ventura - 201-218-0842; Linda Ongteco - 201-233-6455

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