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Sunday, September 2, 2018 - Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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PAROCHIAL VICARS: Rev. Samuel T. Giangreco, Jr.
Rev. Romulus Rosolowski, OFM Conv.

DEACON: Deacon Michael V. Comerford

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:
Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: Closed

SUNDAY MASSES:
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (Folk Mass),
Noon (Choir), 4:30 p.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES: Please see bulletin

WEEKDAY MASSES: 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.)
8:15 a.m. (Monday, Friday during School Year)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:
Saturday: 3:00-4:00 p.m. and 7:00-7:30 p.m.
Eve of Holy Day: 3:00-4:00 p.m.
Eve of First Friday: 3:00-4:00 p.m.

SCHOOL:
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GIFT SHOP and MUSEUM HOURS;
Daily 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

ROSARY: Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Our Parish offers a special Pre-Baptism preparation program for parents who desire to share their faith with their children. Parents-to-be must attend this class prior to the birth of their child. Baptisms are usually scheduled two times each month. Call the Rectory to register for classes. Godparents must be Confirmed and practicing Catholics. Non-parishioners are required to have a Letter of Recommendation to serve as a sponsor.

Sacrament of Marriage:

To be married in the Basilica, you must be an active parishioner for at least 9 months prior to setting a date. Engaged couples should contact the pastor before making other wedding arrangements. Couples are required to attend a Pre-Cana Conference, or equivalent pre-marriage preparation program.

Letters of Recommendation:

Recommendations to act as sponsors for Baptism or Confirmation can be issued only to registered members of Our Lady of Victory Parish who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation, attend Mass and receive Holy Communion regularly, have their children attending a Catholic school or Religious Education class. If married, the marriage must be in conformity with the regulations of the Catholic Church.

Devotions:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins immediately after the 12:10 p.m. Mass in the Basilica on Fridays and concludes with Benediction at 5:00 p.m.

First Friday:

On the eve of the First Friday of each month there are confessions from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Mass is celebrated at 7:30 p.m. on First Friday.

Care of the Sick:

Please notify the rectory office for a visit to any family member who is sick, in the hospital or confined to home. Regular home Communion visits are usually on the First Friday of the month by a priest, deacon, or minister of the Eucharist.

Tours:

To schedule a tour of Our Lady of Victory Basilica, please contact Dianne Bosinski, Tours & Basilica Programs by email at dbosinski@ourladyofvictory.org or by phone at (716) 828-9424.

Pray for the canonization of our founder, Venerable Nelson Baker

This weekend, we welcome Seminarian Mario Racho, from Christ the King Seminary. Mario will speak at all of the Masses this weekend on behalf of the annual collection for the seminary. Each year, all parishes of the diocese take up this collection to help the priesthood and ministry training which takes place at our seminary. Mario is "our" seminarian here at the Basilica. Since he arrived in the States from the Philippines, our rectory has been his "home away from home." We are happy to have him as this special speaker on behalf of the seminary this weekend. There is a special envelope in your packet for this collection. You may use it any time in the next four weeks.

Speaking of ***Mario, on Saturday, September 15, Mario will be ordained a deacon for the Diocese of Buffalo.*** After his diaconate ordination, for the months leading up to his ordination as a priest, Mario will be back here to preach at Masses on the first weekend of each month. Keep him in your prayers as he concludes his final year of seminary training.

This Sunday is Coffee and Donut Sunday. Each first Sunday of the month, after the Sunday morning Masses, coffee and donuts are served in the Marian Room. Please feel free to stop down and grab a quick cup of coffee and a bit of conversation with your fellow parishioners.

Monday is Labor Day. While it is a civil holiday, it commemorates a good Christian message. The civil part of the holiday honors the work which our nation's citizens do which help to make our nation strong. The religious message is that all human labor is a continuation of God's work. We are all co-creators with God through the work which we do on a daily basis. We pray for all workers today, whatever work they do, and God to bless the work of their hands.

In commemoration of Labor Day, the rectory and the Gift Shop will be closed. Both will reopen on Tuesday at the regular times.

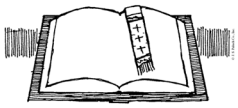
This is the week that most high school and elementary school students and their teachers return to the classroom. Remember to pray for administrators, teachers, and students as they begin a new school year; we especially remember Mrs. Carolyn Kraus, the principal of our parish school, our faculty, staff and students.

We are still waiting to receive a date from Bishop Malone's office for the Sacrament of Confirmation this fall. Just as soon as we hear, we will announce the date to the Confirmation class.

Next Sunday, we welcome the Knights of St. John to the 8:00 a.m. Mass, for their annual Regimental Mass. We are always honored to have them with us for this Mass.

May Jesus bless you and Our Lady of Victory watch over you.

Father Paul



Summary of the Readings
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

From time to time, newspapers and magazines will offer, as an item of "filler," various laws that are still on the books but seem silly to us in our day and age. In one California city, it is illegal to have two indoor bathtubs in one house. Clean water, a precious commodity when the law was written, is now readily available, so the law seems silly. But the human value of protecting and preserving precious resources is still around, evident in many conservation laws that seem sensible to us. So it is with the laws of religious tradition. What Jesus scorns today is others' attitude toward ritual laws, an attitude that becomes nearly idolatrous when laws are observed for their own sake. Jesus teaches that observation of external ritual laws is of value only when they are emblems of our internal disposition toward the will of God. Our whole lives must follow the one ultimate law of God: to love God completely and to love neighbor entirely. Roman Catholicism is a tradition rich with customs, traditions, and even laws. As we continue to listen to the voice of Christ, we must always look into our own hearts and underneath our ritual practices to make sure that love of God and love of neighbor are what we prize above all. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

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Weekend of September 8-9

Lectors:

Saturday, September 8
4:30 p.m.—B. McDonough

Sunday, September 9
8:00 a.m.—W. O'Rourke
10:00 a.m.—A. Boneberg
12:00 p.m.—J. Howell
4:30 p.m.—M. Kipler

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, September 8
4:30 p.m.—Jackson, R.&D. McDonough, Schaefer

Sunday, September 9
8:00 a.m.—Murray, Twist
10:00 a.m.—R.A.S. Boneberg, Powers, T.Wing
12:00 p.m.—Bonafede, Koeppel, Smolen, Trabucco
4:30 p.m.—Britting, Rick Grasso, Jackson

Servers:

Saturday, September 8
4:30 p.m.—D.M. Bush, A. Mateer, A. Pavlovich

Sunday, September 9
8:00 a.m.—R. Harrington, V.N. Trojanovic
10:00 a.m.—K. Pietrkiewicz, M.N. Powers (MC=D. Lang)
12:00 p.m.—A. Grinder, J.N.E. Indelicato, R. Litwin (MC=C. Carroccia)
4:30 p.m.—B. Gwozdz, D.N. Clark, M. McNatty (MC= J. Pearson)

Tours: September 9: John Twist

Mass Schedule
Week of September 2, 2018

Saturday, September 1
4:30 Tekla Kij & Family by June Kij & Family

Sunday, September 2—Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 Carmelo & Rose Maiorano by Marion Strycharz
10:00 Rose Karyczak by John & Susan Karyczak
12:00 Living & Dec. Members of the Altar & Rosary Society
4:30 Daniel A. Trzaska by Wife & Family

Monday, September 3—St. Gregory the Great
7:30 James Schaefer by Cindy & Dave Schaefer
George Hassett by Daughter, Georgiann
12:10 Nancy Procknal by The Swiech Family
Ruth Sciascia by Cindy & Dave Schaefer

Tuesday, September 4
7:30 In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received by Ed & Elaine Tierney
Mildred & Donald Schmitt by The Ryer Family
8:15 Marge Zimmerman by The John Zimmerman Family
12:10 Robert Friend (Birthday) by Mary Anne Jackson
Stanley Lesniowski by Carol Ann Lesniowski
7:30 Geraldine Pickup by Sophie DiFiglia (in Chapel)
Angela Morgan by Nieces, Georgiann & Mary Margaret (in Chapel)

Wednesday, September 5
7:30 Our Lady of Victory Spiritual Society
Amelia Myslinski by Janice Sugg
12:10 John & Esther Downs & Charles Kostch by Family
Kevin Sheehan by The Steinwald Family

Thursday, September 6
7:30 Living Members of the Uschold Family by Estate
Raymond & Irene Sugg by Janice Sugg
12:10 Rita Dunn (Death Ann.) by Cliff & Donna Emminger
Diane Romance by Family & Friends

Friday, September 7
7:30 James DePasquale by Peter & Judith Pawlak
8:15 Our Lady of Victory Golden Treasury
For the People of the Parish
12:10 Larry Rams by Estate
Richard A. Kij (61st Wed. Ann.) by June M. Kij
7:30 Casimir M. Slaski & Family by Estate
Lorraine & Harold Madar by Maureen Madar

Saturday, September 8—The Nativity of the BVM
7:30 Carl Hageman, Jr. by Ron & Mary Hageman
12:10 Mildred Vacco by Debbie Draper, Donna & Paul Henning, Diane & Joe Buccilli
4:30 Elinor Lyons by The Gullo Family

Sunday, September 9—Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society
10:00 Frank & Rita Hotnich by Family
12:00 Irene Sasiadek by Son, David Sasiadek
4:30 Matthew & Connie Zak by Daughter, Diane Zak

Sunday, September 2—Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Coffee & Donuts after Morning Masses (MR)
11:00 a.m. Altar & Rosary Society Meeting (Mus R)
1:00 p.m. Baptisms (Bas)

Monday, September 3—St. Gregory the Great
Labor Day; Rectory & Gift Shop Closed
7:00 p.m. Folk Group Practice (Mus R)

Tuesday, September 4
8:15 a.m. Teachers Opening Mass (Bas)
7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Meeting (R)
7:00 p.m. Rosary for Peace (Bas)
7:30 p.m. Mass, Prayer Group Meeting (SC) (MR)

Wednesday, September 5
Pre-K & Kindergarten Orientation; School Supply Drop Off
6:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (Caf)

Thursday, September 6
First Day of School; Dismissal at 11:00 a.m.
1:00 p.m. Legion of Mary Meeting (MR)
3:00-4:00 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Adult Confirmation Class (MR)

Friday, September 7
First Friday
School Dismissal at 11:00 a.m.
1:00-5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Bas)
2:00-3:00 p.m. Pro-Life Holy Hour (IH)
6:15 p.m. Pre-Baptism Class (MR)
7:30 p.m. Mass (Bas)

Saturday, September 8—The Nativity of the BVM
Christ the King Seminary Collection
3:00-4:00 & 7:00-7:30 p.m. Confessions

Sunday, September 9—Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Christ the King Seminary Collection
8:00 a.m. Knights of St. John Annual Mass (Bas)
11:00 a.m. Altar & Rosary Society Trip to Fatima Shrine
2:30 p.m. Diaconate Ordination Rehearsal (Bas)

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Catechists Needed

Sunday mornings from 9:15 to 10:45. Please consider volunteering your time to our parish children!

We will provide training. Contact the Religious Education Office at 828-7494 for more information.

A Message from Mrs. Kraus, Principal

Welcome, and Welcome Back, Our Lady of Victory Families!

On behalf of the entire faculty and staff, I hope everyone enjoyed a restful and relaxing summer. As I begin my third year here at OLV, I want you to know that I am particularly grateful for the blessing of this beautiful community of staff, students, and families in my life. I am so looking forward to seeing everyone on the ***first day of school, Thursday, September 6***. This year we will continue our consistent discussions on how staff and families can work together to ensure success for all students. A strong partnership between home and school will assist in providing an education that supports and empowers our students to reach their full potential as young men and women filled with promise and goodness. I am proud and excited to begin this new school year with our incredibly talented and dedicated teaching staff and the ongoing support and partnership of our families, our pastor, Monsignor Paul Burkard, and Our Lady of Victory Parish. Let us begin this school year the same way we begin every day with our students, grounded in the mission of Our Lady of Victory School as we live and teach within the legacy and ideals of our founder, the Venerable Nelson H. Baker.

I am so excited to show off our ***new Technology Room!*** Through a very generous donor, we were able to secure a sizeable grant to give it a complete renovation. A wall was knocked out giving way to a much more generous learning space. New furniture was purchased in a variety of shapes and colors in order to give way to a setup that will encourage a more collaborative learning environment for teachers and students. We have received 30 new laptops, a complete kit of "Little Bits," a platform of easy to use electronic building blocks for creating inventions large and small for our young and old engineering minds. Virtual Reality Glasses will be added as well as a new state of the art interactive smart board! Our school is catching up quickly in providing a school environment rich in the tools that are needed to bring our students minds and abilities into the future for the 21st Century Learning.

Important Dates to Note:

- September 5: 9:00 a.m. Pre-Kindergarten Orientation in Room B2.
- September 5: 12:00 p.m. Kindergarten Orientation in Room B7.
- September 6: First day of school for all students. Student must be in their dress uniform. Dismissal at 11:00 a.m. No Aftercare available.
- September 7: 11:00 a.m. Early Dismissal. No Aftercare available.
- September 10: First full day of school. Specials, breakfast and lunch program and Aftercare begin.

Sunday, August 26th

Weekly:	$	12,818.60
Monthly:	$	151.00
Total:	$	12,969.60
Shrines	$	1,824.51
Pennies	$	180.36

Michael John Barr & Jenny Lynn Capitano
Christopher Michael Mann & Lisa Nicole Lesinski

We welcome *Addelyn Rose Barends, Harrison Nicholas Brooks* and *Henry Richard Brooks* into our Parish Community. They were baptized on Sunday, August 26, 2018 in Our Lady of Victory Basilica.

OLV Florida Vacation Getaway Raffle

Raffle tickets are available for sale this weekend after Masses for an opportunity to win ***a week's stay at a timeshare at the Sheraton Vistana Resort in Orlando, Florida***. It is a two bedroom condo for six persons, available ***the week of April 20-27, 2019***. Tickets for a chance to win are $10 each or 5 for $40. The proceeds of this raffle will benefit the OLV Athletic Program. The drawing will be held at the OLV School Meat Raffle on Saturday, October 20, 2018.

Attention Prayer Group Members

The Prayer Group will ***not*** meet on
Tuesday, September 11
and on
Tuesday, September 18.

Altar & Rosary Society Retreat (Pilgrimage)

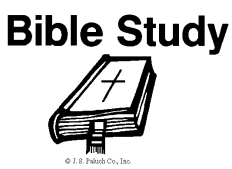
Come join us on a great excursion to the ***Fatima Shrine in Lewiston.*** The bus will leave ***after the 10:00 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Victory on Sunday, September 9, 2018*** (come join us for Mass). After arrival at the Shrine around 12:00 or 12:30 p.m., we will eat lunch (you may buy it there or bring a lunch). At the Shrine they will have Blessing of Oranges. We will join in the Rosary Procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 3:00 p.m. We will leave the Fatima Shrine at 5:00 p.m. ***Cost of the bus is $20.00 per person***. Please call Darlene McDonough at 716-780-7154 for ***reservations no later than September 1, 2018.***

40 Days for Life

"Forty Days for Life" is almost upon us in the Diocese of Buffalo. Mary Anne Jackson is the coordinator for Tuesdays during this time (***September 21 through November 4, 2018***). Please stand up against abortions and stand for the value of life from conception to natural death. Please call Mary Anne Jackson at 864-0747 to sign up for vigil hours on Tuesdays. Hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. Help continue Father Baker's legacy of care for all life.

Life in the Spirit Seminar

Would you like to experience more of the Holy Spirit's power and gifts in your life? Fan into flame the Holy Spirit you received at Baptism and Confirmation. ***Life in the Spirit Seminar***, sponsored by Charismatic Renewal, Diocese of Buffalo; Magnificat/Buffalo Chapter; and Our Lady of Victory Altar & Rosary Society will be held at ***Our Lady of Victory School Cafeteria on 7 consecutive Friday evenings September 28 to November 9 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.*** For more information or to text registration, contact: Sandy Swiech at 716-864-5583 (cell); 716-648-5870 (home); or sandys826@hotmail.com; or call Evelyn at 652-2286. Cost: $20 donation. Checks payable to Charismatic Renewal. Please RSVP by September 21.



Bible Study to Resume

The OLV Bible Study program will resume on the evening of October 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the OLV School Cafeteria. Classes will continue each Tuesday thereafter through November 6. No class will be held on October 16. In this session, we will be viewing "The Bible and the Virgin Mary" as presented by Matthew Leonard. A registration fee of $20.00 will be payable on the evening of the first session. All are welcome to attend.

The Traveling Chalice

Would you like to host the ***"Traveling Chalice"*** in your home to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

Father Sam invites families with school-aged (including college -aged) children still living at home, to bring his personal chalice home for a week to help promote vocations through brief prayer each evening with your family.

The week begins with the presentation of the chalice at the end of a Saturday evening or Sunday Mass, and may be concluded with Father Sam celebrating a Mass in your home on the following Friday evening. ***Please contact Father Sam*** at the rectory at 716-828-9428 or sgiangreco@ourladyofvictory.org ***for more information or to sign –up***.

Young Adult News

Ever feel like you're the only one who believes this stuff? You're not alone! Are you between the ages of 18 and 39? ***There are two groups of young adults who meet regularly to build community, growing in faith and friendship.***

"Frassati WNY" meets on Tuesdays in Our Lady of Pompeii School in Lancaster for Scripture, discussion, and prayer, along with offering opportunities for various social and service activities. The Frassati link is to a closed group on Facebook, so please request to join!

"[re] Young Adult Ministry" meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at St. Benedict's in Amherst for live praise & worship, a witness talk, and prayer, followed by fellowship.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/257158691085077/
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Vocation Thought
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our God calls us to not only hear His word, but to live by it. How are you called to help others to know and live by God's word? Consider service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. Also, check out the "Priest of the Month" stories at www.buffalovocations.org.

Updates Wanted

Did you move?
Are you moving soon?
Did your phone number change?
Are you new to the parish and not registered?
Are your envelopes not coming to your home?
Do you have any changes in your family status?
Are you a newlywed planning to remain in the parish?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, please call the rectory (828-9444) and help us to update our records. Often mail is returned to us because of an incorrect address and this is costly to the parish.

Also, be sure to use your envelopes so that we can give you proper credit for your participation and financial support. This is important for your year end income tax preparation and also so that we can provide you with a letter of recommendation if you are asked to be a sponsor.

Thank you for your help in keeping our parish records accurate!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Msgr. Nelson H. Baker #1043 will hold its first meeting of the year on ***Monday, September 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the Hall at Holy Family Church, South Park and Tifft, in Buffalo***. The hall has an elevator for easy accessibility and lots of convenient parking. ***Please note*** the meetings are moving to the 2nd Monday of the month for easier scheduling. The calendar will be discussed, plans for CDA Sunday, and other upcoming activities. A report will be given on the National Convention and the officer training session that we took part in. Refreshments will be served. All Catholic women 18+ are welcome to attend. If you have any question, please contact Regent Sue at 939-7450. We look forward to seeing everyone after a busy summer!

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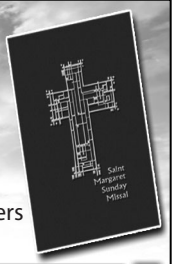

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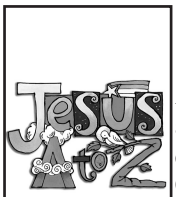

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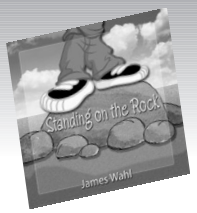

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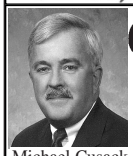

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