

I am  
*the Good Shepherd.*

A good shepherd  
lays down his life for the sheep.

John 10:11



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER  
FOR VOCATIONS**



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**Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church**

April 22, 2018



**OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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Friends of the Opera "I am the Light of the World" at 4:00 p.m., Refreshments at 3:15 p.m.

**Friday, April 27-Sunday, April 29:** St. Vincent de Paul's PACK the POD**Saturday, April 28:** Volunteer Appreciation Dinner & Dance (RSVP by April 23)**Sunday, April 29:** Family Rosary begins at 8:45 a.m., in Church

Altar Server Training at 10:30 a.m. for students in grades 4-7



## Around the Table

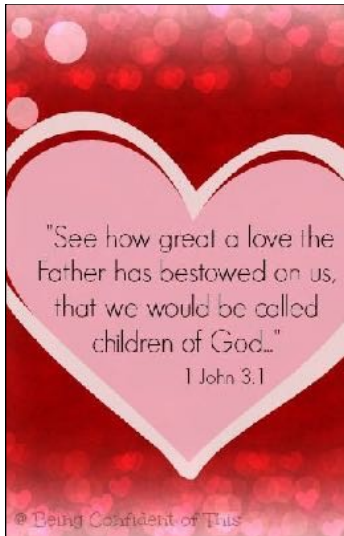
Rev. Denis B. Theroux, Pastor

### The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Dear Friends,

Among the idiocies of human nature that probably each of us has been guilty of is that of taking for granted the particular person who is most significant in our life. Usually we don't recognize the significance of the person until after he or she has perhaps left us or even died. After someone's death, we occasionally hear the lament, "He (or she) died before I ever really got to know him (or her). One hears the dismay at the lost opportunity to get to know better and appreciate a person whom they perhaps, never totally appreciated before. Yet, there is no way now that they can ever really, get to know the person. It is too late unless they happen to be a person of faith which will give them then the hope of being reunited to that person after death.

Something of this tone of regret can be heard in the Reading from the First Letter of St. John, that we hear as the Second Reading at Mass this weekend. He says, **"The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him."**



What John is saying is that the vast majority of people did not realize the significance of the person of Jesus when he was among them. For most people, Jesus would have been no different from any ordinary person; there was nothing special about him. So, not recognizing anything special about Jesus, they could not recognize anything different in those who were committed to Jesus. It was only after the death of Jesus that people came to realize who he truly was by what they saw in those who represented him. Hopefully, now, too, through each follower of Jesus, through each of us—Jesus himself may be recognized though he has gone from us.

The commission that each of us has as a Christian is to live a Christlike life so that others can recognize Jesus within us. Like the person who, while living, was simply taken for granted and perhaps not fully appreciated in his talents and abilities and now, tragically, there is no longer an opportunity to show our respect and appreciation of the person. A great part of the world is in the same circumstances unless each of us can carry on and show to them the significance and the value that Jesus had and has for us. Seeing this in us, then they, too, can come to know Jesus. Even though he is Risen, he lives in the world in each one of us! To give "voice" to Jesus around us, I believe is the responsibility of every sincere Christian.

Trusting in the Love of God, *Father Denis*

## PENTECOST SUNDAY is MAY 20

Do you speak any of these languages? Do you speak any other language not listed below?

**Arabic, Gaelic, Latin, Russian, Armenian, German, Italian, Spanish, Chaldean, Greek, Maltese, Tagalog, Dutch, Hawaiian, Polish, Ukrainian, Estonian, Hungarian, Portuguese, Vietnamese, French, Japanese, Romanian . . .**

Celebrate the birth of the Catholic Church in a very special way by proclaiming the first reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, on Pentecost Sunday, May 20, in one of the above, or in a different foreign language.

If you are interested in reading on Pentecost Sunday, please contact the Parish Office at [olvoffice@olvnorthville.net](mailto:olvoffice@olvnorthville.net) or (248) 349-2621. All ages are welcome! Let us know the language that you can speak and the Mass at which you would like to read. We have the reading available to send to you in all of the above languages.



## *Faith in Action is LOVE—Love in Action is SERVICE*

*Blessed Teresa of Calcutta*



HIS HANDS HIS FEET



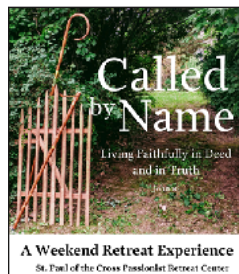
Please keep all those who are traveling to Haiti this week on their annual mission trip in your prayers. May they be Christ's light to those they serve and come back with a renewed sense of purpose.



### "Every Child Deserves a Chance to Play Baseball" Miracle League of Plymouth Spring Baseball Season Starts now.

#### **Buddies Are Needed—Sign up Now!**

What does a buddy do? Each Buddy is assigned to one special needs Player during the entire two inning game. It is the job of the Buddy to keep the Player engaged and having fun! For more information, please go to [www.miracleleagueplymouth.org](http://www.miracleleagueplymouth.org) or email any questions to [info@miracleleagueplymouth.org](mailto:info@miracleleagueplymouth.org).



### **Women's Retreat Weekend: May 11-13—Register Now!**

"Abandon yourself to God, rest in God and leave the care of everything to Him"  
Come and join other OLV women as you experience God's loving presence and focus on this year's theme:

#### **"Called by Name: Living Faithfully in Deed and in Truth"**

St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat & Conference Center  
23333 Schoolcraft, Detroit, MI 48223

Register at (313) 535-9563 or [www.stpaulretreat.org](http://www.stpaulretreat.org)



### **OLV Spring Red Cross Blood Drive**

**Sign up Now!** Help save lives-Three lives per one pint of blood

Sunday, May 20 ♦ 8:00 am-2:00 pm ♦ Fr. Ernie Center

To schedule an appointment, go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) (sponsor code: OLVC)

Or call (313) 549-7052

Download the Blood Donor App

### **APRIL Collection Items**

Place in designated bins by Stairs  
to Fr. Ernie Center



#### **Civic Concern**

Targeted Items for this month: **Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Shampoo, Any Paper Products.**



#### **St. Christine's Food Pantry**

We are collecting the following items: **peanut butter and jelly, cans of tuna, salmon or chicken, as well as rice and noodle dishes**



**Ready for some spring cleaning!** Our work will bear the fruit of beautiful flowers for our community and guests all summer long.

**Friday, May 4, from 2:00–5:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, May 5, from 9:00 a.m.–12 noon**

We will be doing things like:

- Sweeping and raking the plaza
- Weeding and preparing the flower beds
- Planting new flowers in the planters

Bring yourself and your (labeled) garden tools and gloves. We will have some water to stay hydrated.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Danielle at (313) 496-1701, ext. 14 or [Danielle.center@steannedetroit.org](mailto:Danielle.center@steannedetroit.org).





## OLV St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference #437

In today's Gospel from John, we reflect on Jesus' love and care for us and our thoughts turn to how we can practice being "Good Shepherds".

*While the arrival of spring flowers is late this year, our hope is that your annual spring cleaning is not!! OLV's SVdP springtime "Fill the POD" event is this coming weekend. As we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday," please consider donating any functional household items, furniture and clothing to help those in our area who are in need.*

*Following are the "Fill the POD" drop off dates and times:*

*Friday, April 27, from 4:00 to 6:00 PM*

*Saturday, April 28, from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM*

*Sunday, April 29, from 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM*

To speak to a member of OLV's St. Vincent de Paul conference and learn more about this ministry, please leave your name and contact information on the OLV SVdP Hotline (248) 349-2622 or e-mail to [stvincent@olvnorthville.net](mailto:stvincent@olvnorthville.net). One of our Vincentians will reach out to you. Or join us at our next meeting on Tuesday, April 24, at 7:00 p.m., in the St. John XXIII room.



## Live Your Faith. Join the SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Since 1833, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has been servicing those in need.  
Young Adult Conferences are now forming!

Grow spiritually. Help those in need. Develop Christian friendships.



## Christian Service

Next week's Christian Service Coordinators Association Retreat will focus on "Making Time for Jesus."

Your gifts to the Catholic Services Appeal provide funding for this retreat, which will help Christian service coordinators—through prayer, conversations, presentations, and quiet time—explore some simple but life-changing habits and prayerful practices so their lives are deeply and constantly rooted in their friendship with Jesus. Sister Janet Schaeffler, OP, will serve as presenter.

The retreat will be held at St. Mary's Retreat House in Oxford on Wednesday, April 25, and is hosted by the Archdiocese of Detroit along with Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan.

For more information about CSA-funded programs, ministries, and services, please go to [www.AOD.org](http://www.AOD.org).

## STAY CONNECTED

### SIGN UP FOR OLV PARISH EMAIL NEWS

Fill out the form below.  
Place it in the Collection Basket.

First and Last Name

Email Address

First and Last Name

Email Address

Do you want to receive email specific to High School Youth Activities?

High School Student's Name



## Help Wanted at Local Ministry

**Mary's Mantle** (located in Southfield) is a Catholic residential program for women who are experiencing a housing crisis and are pregnant. Women can come and stay with us for up to a year and work with our professional staff on addressing the various issues that led to their homelessness. The ministry is currently hiring for three positions, **Volunteer Coordinator, Spiritual Coordinator and Support Staff**.

If you are feeling called to work in a compassionate, Pro-Life, faith filled environment, while making the difference in young women's lives, please consider applying today. Please visit [www.marysmantle.net](http://www.marysmantle.net) for the full job postings and information on how to apply.

## Welcome to the Church! Easter Blessings!

We congratulate and recognize those individuals who have been on a journey of discovering the traditions, practices and teachings of the Catholic Church and entered into the Church this past Easter Vigil. Along with their sponsor they have been very dedicated to this journey and we offer them our prayers & blessings!

### Welcome!

From left to right: **Craig Schrameck, Stephanie Angevine, Kate Hayes, Erika Werner, Nancy O'Connell, Julie Feeny and Michael Avery**



We, also, wish to thank all those who graciously gave of their time to serve at the recognition reception held after the Easter Vigil in the Fr. Ernie Center. May the Easter Season bring blessings!

If you are in an interfaith marriage, or are a non-Catholic who has curiosities about the faith, please consider joining us next year. We begin in early October. Please contact Deacon Ric at (248) 349-2621, or [rmisiak@olvnorthville.net](mailto:rmisiak@olvnorthville.net).

### OLV Youth in Service: **BAKERS IN HOPE**

Hi, my name is Emma Manross. I am 15 and a sophomore at Northville High School. I am currently working on my Girl Scout Gold Award (highest award a Girl Scout can earn). My Gold Award project is **Bakers Of Hope** which benefits the Northville Civic Concern. Throughout my 11 years of scouting, I have worked with the Civic Concern several times. I learned that almost all the food items donated to Civic Concern were boxed and canned with very few fresh items. I really love to bake so I decided to bake fresh bread, muffins and cookies to let the clients of Civic Concern know that someone cares for them. I created a website for Bakers Of Hope, linking Civic Concern to members of the community willing to bake.



To volunteer to bake, visit the Civic Concern webpage at <http://northvillevolunteer.wixsite.com/civicconcern>, click the **Bakers Of Hope** button. The Sign-up tab is on the right of the page. On behalf of myself and Northville Civic Concern, we really appreciate your help!

### HELP WANTED: OLV SCHOOL LATCHKEY SUPERVISOR



Our Lady of Victory Catholic School is seeking a qualified person to supervise young students, after school, in our expanding LatchKey program. We need someone who can work **EVERY** Monday through Friday, from 3:30-6:00 p.m., during the 2018-2019 school year.

The applicant must be a minimum of 18 years of age, and will need to have completed a background check, a Protecting God's Children Workshop and a First Aid/CPR Training course. Any parent at the school who is interested in this position, may have their children in the LatchKey Program with them at no cost.

This is an hourly position with a maximum of 12.5 hours per week. If you or someone you know has questions or is interested in applying, please contact Ruth Scaramucci at [rsaramucci@olvnorthville.net](mailto:rsaramucci@olvnorthville.net).





## HELP NEEDED: OLV School Science Fair Judges

Thursday, April 26, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

We are in need of science fair judges to objectively judge science projects from each grade level on Thursday, April 26, from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Snacks and rubrics (marking sheets) will be provided. Judges who have a scientific backgrounds are preferred. All inquires should contact the OLV Middle School Science Teacher, Mrs. Jessica Marcou at [jmarcou@olvnorthville.net](mailto:jmarcou@olvnorthville.net).



## OLV DADS' CLUB CORNER

### Upcoming Events & News

[www.olvathletics.com](http://www.olvathletics.com)

•Next Dads' Club Meeting, Wednesday, May 8, 7:30 p.m., Sports Den

- **7th and 8th Grade Dance: Friday, April 27, 7-10 p.m., OLV Gym.** Volunteers needed!
- If you would like to stay up to date on all of the OLV Dads' Club's news and events, please send an email to [olvdadsclubsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:olvdadsclubsecretary@gmail.com) to be **added to our email distribution list**.

## OLV CYO FALL SPORTS REGISTRATION

Open through June 30, 2018

All OLV school students (grade 3-8) are eligible to participate in OLV's CYO sports program. Open registration is for **Football, Cross Country, Cheer, Flag Football and Volleyball**. To see the age specifications for each sport and to register, please visit the registration tab at [www.OLVAthletics.com](http://www.OLVAthletics.com).

If you are interested in coaching any of these sports, please read the Coaches Information requirements on the left menu at [www.OLVAthletics.com](http://www.OLVAthletics.com) and apply online under the Player-Coach Registration. Coaching positions are assigned on an annual basis.

## Altar Server Training

Sunday, April 29, at 10:30 a.m., Church

Calling all incoming **5th Grade Students**... The training will take just over an hour.

If there are any current servers who would like a refresher course, you are most welcome to join us.



SEAN ENGLISH OLV



**8TH ANNUAL OLV VICTORY 5K AND FUN RUN**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 2018**

**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!**

The run will start and finish at Our Lady of Victory School.

TO REGISTER, GO TO [www.olv-victoryrun.com](http://www.olv-victoryrun.com).

Register prior to Sunday, May 20 to receive a **discounted registration fee!** Join us as our community promotes health, fitness and supports the Sean English Fund and OLV School.

If you have any questions or are interested in sponsoring or volunteering at the race, please contact the race director at [ourladyofvictoryrun@gmail.com](mailto:ourladyofvictoryrun@gmail.com). See you at the starting line!



## Kentucky Mission Youth Trip

### Vehicle Rental Help Needed

If anyone has a handle on a good deal for renting a 7 passenger SUV/Van for our upcoming high school mission trip to eastern Kentucky it would be greatly appreciated.

We will be leaving early on Sunday, June 17, and returning the early evening of Friday, June 22. Please contact Deacon Ric, Pastoral Associate at [rmisiak@olvnorthville.net](mailto:rmisiak@olvnorthville.net) or call (248) 349-2621, if you can help with this. Thank you for your support.



In this weekend's Gospel, John helps us to understand Jesus through the imagery of the Good Shepherd. He is our shepherd, we are his sheep and as his sheep we should know his voice.

We have so many voices in our heads today. We hear voices everywhere we go, in the stores, on the streets, and even in restaurants as we strain to listen to the people we are sharing a table with. All too often those voices speak to our wants more than our needs, very often to our stereotypes; perhaps, even to our worst prejudices.

With mass media so prevalent the voice of public opinion is what we spend the most time listening to. We wish to know what everyone thinks as we try to compose our own views about world events, our pressing needs, and the most minute and monumental problems of today.

Our gospel from the Evangelist John, counsels us as to which voice we must listen to first, and of course it is the voice of Jesus! Once we know the voice of our Lord, we can see what he saw, what he knew and understood and will recognize that voice in others. It forms us as his followers and aids our conscience as we enter into our life's daily encounters.

Families can help its members in discerning the many voices in their lives. Parents especially play an important role in this process and lead the way for everyone to recognize the voice of the Good Shepherd!

First it is important that parents continue to form themselves. Seeking out the meaning of Scripture, following some of the many websites that provide reflections on the daily readings as well as listening to the homilies that are proclaimed here at OLV every weekend is a beginning! Parents can also form themselves by learning more about Church teachings which then become the lens by which they can speak with their children of the love, forgiveness and mercy that our Lord displays for each of us with a sense of passion and authenticity. It can allow the whole family to fine tune their ears to hear Jesus' voice when listening to music, TV, videos, etc. or sharpen ones attentiveness to the intent of conversations among adults and children alike. Do they tend to be life giving reflecting the Gospel values we profess to believe or do they belittle and hurt.

Learning to recognize Jesus' voice is the work of faith. When we open our minds and our hearts to His voice we can be drawn into a quieter reflection that tests our true motives and the real needs behind the many other voices we come across. By relying on the Good Shepherd we will soon find that it is the voice that will lead us to the truth!



Pray to the Good Shepherd that you might be his likeness to others. Ask him to lead you to shepherd others and bring them safely to his love!

Mary Ellen Skene, Director



## MUSIC MINISTRY

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is always **Good Shepherd Sunday** because the gospel reading is always from John Chapter 10 for all three liturgical cycles.

The concept of a Good Shepherd predates Jesus. Images of a male figure carrying a lamb can be found in early Greek art. It became easy for the idea and image to be transferred to Jesus for the early Christians in order to hide their affiliation with the new religious group from the Romans since pagan figures of shepherds were common. A shepherd may not have been a desirable livelihood because they had to live with their sheep day and night in all kinds of weather and in different locations and the shepherd would have to move from place to place to find grass for the sheep. But a shepherd was loyal to his flock by watching over them, caring for them and protecting them. A shepherd would even call their sheep by names and they would know his voice. Sometimes the flock would be enclosed by a low wall with only a small opening for coming and going. The shepherd would sleep across this opening to prevent the sheep from escaping and also to prevent wolves or robbers from getting to the sheep. Here we see the shepherd ready to give up his life for the flock. James Chepponis describes God in "With a Shepherd's Care" not only as a shepherd but as a father who guides and teaches and as a mother who loves and cares for their children.



And so we call Jesus the Good Shepherd because he is and does all of these things and more for us.

Kathy Sanderson, Music Director

## Always so much work to get done in the Spring!

Don't forget to take some time for yourself! While flowers hibernate in the winter, they come to life again in the Spring. Sometimes our own issues get buried for the winter, but bloom again in the Spring. Getting



paired with a trained **STEPHEN MINISTER** does not make your problems vanish. But when shared, problems can see more manageable. Getting support is always a good Spring project!

For information, please call our confidential line at **(248) 349-0216**.



# **We're Putting on the Ritz for Our Volunteers!**

**2018 OLV Volunteer Appreciation Dinner**

*Get "Dolled Up" in your best 1920's/Great Gatsby attire and join us for Dinner, Dancing, and a Whole Lot of Fun!*

**Saturday, April 28**

**6:00-10:00 p.m.**

**Fr. Ernie Center**

**All OLV Volunteers Welcome!**

**Space is limited!**

To RSVP for this adult only event, please visit [www.olvnorthville.org](http://www.olvnorthville.org) or call the Parish Office by Monday, April 23.





## — KNIGHTLY NEWS —

### Family Rosary

Sunday, April 29, 8:45 a.m.

The Knights of Columbus will continue with our public recitations of the Rosary when there is a fifth Sunday in a particular month. In 2018, those months are April, July, September, and December. Our next Rosary date is Sunday, April 29. We also have a few changes we would like to announce. First, the name has changed to Family Rosary as we continue to focus on the family through our Building The Domestic Church initiative. Second, we are changing the time when we will pray the rosary together. Moving forward, we will pray in the church from 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. PRIOR to the start of the 9:30 a.m. Mass. We hope to have more Mass attendees join us even if it is in the middle of the five full decades we pray. So please mark your calendars for 8:45 a.m. on Sunday, April 29 to pray with the Knights. As always, all are welcome!



## Is Something in Your Heart Calling You to Funeral Ministry?



If you are a caring, approachable individual with a compassionate heart and professional demeanor, the Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop-Sassaman Chapel is looking to hire **Funeral Greeters** for their Northville location.

This part-time position has flexible hours. Training will be provided. Placement is in the Northville location so an OLV parishioner is preferred.

For all inquiries or questions, please contact David Griffin at [david@griffinfuneralhome.com](mailto:david@griffinfuneralhome.com) or (248) 348-1233.

**GRIFFIN**  
L.J. GRIFFIN FUNERAL HOME, INC.

### OLGC WOMEN'S RETREAT

SATURDAY, MAY 12 | 9AM-3 PM | \$40\*

[olgcparish.net/register](http://olgcparish.net/register)

Join the journey to discover the passionate love of the Father and claim anew your identity as His daughter.

This day of spiritual pampering includes Mass, confession, prayer ministry, praise & worship, and our dynamic keynote speaker, Karen Ervin, consecrated virgin and principal at St. Catherine of Sienna Academy. Invite your mother, sisters, and friends to come along. Everyone is welcome.

\*The \$40 fee is waived for current OLGC WWP Participants.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT DIANA AT  
[DIRITAD@OLGCPARISH.NET](mailto:DIRITAD@OLGCPARISH.NET).



## St. Vincent de Paul **PACK THE POD** Weekend is April 27-29!

Spring is Here! Now is the time of year to do some major cleaning before the summer. Why not Pack the Pods for those in need with all of your items? The 3 PODs will be located in the Church Parking lot the weekend of April 27-29.

### Hours of Drop Off:

Friday, April 27, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 28, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 29, 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

**We will accept:** clean, gently used clothing, shoes, boots and coats, as well as whole bikes (no missing seats or pedals), small electronics, gently used towels, sheets, blankets, power tools, toys, games, night stands, tables, chairs and small working appliances and luggage/suitcases with wheels. Whatever can fit into your car.

**We cannot accept:** damaged furniture, hazardous materials, mattresses, car seats, cribs or large pieces of furniture. All items donated will be delivered to the SVdP Thrift Store. Thank you for helping us help others.

*We are looking for high school or college student volunteers to help with unloading the cars. Start earning your service hours for next year or simply volunteer for the good of others. An attitude of gratitude brings peace and well-being to you. Contact Nancy Tolkacz at [nancytolkacz@att.net](mailto:nancytolkacz@att.net), if you can assist.*





## Attention: OLV Seniors! Spring Bus Trip is Thursday, May 17

Reserve your spot for the Thursday, May 17 Bus trip to the **Detroit Institute of Arts Museum**. We will meet in the Fr. Ernie Center at **11:00 a.m.** for a delicious box lunch before heading down to the museum. There we will enjoy a tour of the museum and a hands on session of Origami making!

Cost is \$5.00 per person. Call or stop in to the Parish Office to reserve your spot. Space is limited!  
Come enjoy the fun!



## Friends Of The Opera of Michigan

present

### THE PASSION AND RESURRECTION

"I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD"

**Sunday, April 22**

Enjoy light refreshments starting at 3:15 p.m.

Program begins at 4:00 p.m., in the Church

Featuring:

Angela Hench, Soprano

Carlos Seise, Tenor

Elizabeth Mitchell, Mezzo-Soprano

Quinto Milito, Baritone

Neill Eisenstein, Pianist

Free Admission. Free Will Donation is appreciated.

## FOLLOW ME

*Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John*

*What does your relationship with Christ look like?*

*Do you see Jesus as simply a great teacher? A prophet? A man of great wisdom? Or do you see him as more?*

Jesus calls us to be more than simply believers—he calls us to be his disciples and his friends. Do you consider yourself a disciple and friend of Christ? The Gospel of John shows us that God became like us; he became a man so that we could become like him and grow closer to him. ***Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John*** is your guide to a personal encounter with Christ.

If you want to know what it means to really follow Christ, and if you would like to have a deeper relationship with him, then we invite you to join us for the eight week series, *Follow Me*, that begins either on **Tuesday morning, April 24 or Wednesday evening, April 25**. Each session will be in the John the XXIII Room. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help us to grow in fellowship as a parish as we grow closer to Christ together.

*Follow Me* invites you to experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Christ. You will learn what it takes to follow him. You will experience the joy of divine friendship, and you will see how God—and only God—can satisfy the deepest desires of your heart.

*If you are interested in joining the study and were NOT part of the 7 Deadly Sins series, please look for volunteers in the Gathering Space this weekend to take your name and contact information.*

*The list will be used to order the correct number of workbooks for the class. A free will offering will be accepted for the workbooks when they are distributed. Thank you so much for your interest.*



## Week at a Glance

### Monday, April 23

Kindergarten Roundup, 9 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.  
Devotional Prayers, 6:15 p.m., Church  
Mass, 7 p.m., Church  
AA Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Fr. Ernie Center

### Tuesday, April 24

Follow Me: Gospel of John, 9 a.m., John XXIII  
Bible Study, 10 a.m., McAuley,  
OLV Card Group, 1:30 p.m., John XXIII  
Northville Strings, 6 p.m., St. Cecelia  
St. Vincent de Paul Mtg, 7:00 p.m., John XXIII

### Wednesday, April 25

Rosary, 8:05 a.m., Church  
School Mass, 8:30 a.m., Church  
Cherub Choir, 3:45 p.m., St. Cecelia  
Contemporary Group, 7 p.m., St. Cecilia  
Follow Me: Gospel of John, 7 p.m., St. John  
Bell Choir, 7:30 p.m., Church

### Thursday, April 26

Rosary, 8:05 a.m., Church  
Mass, 8:30 a.m., Church  
Gospel Reflection, 9:15 a.m., St. John  
Children's Choir, 4 p.m., Church  
NA Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Fr. Ernie  
School Science Fair, 6:30 p.m., School  
Adult Choir, 7:30 p.m., Church

### Friday, April 27

#### **PACK THE POD: 3:00-6:00 p.m.**

Reconciliation, 7:45 a.m.  
Rosary, 8:05 a.m., Church  
Mass, 8:30 a.m., Church  
Eucharistic Adoration, 9:30 a.m., CH  
Adoration Closing, 11:30 a.m., CH  
OLV Grade 7-8 Dance, 7 p.m., Gym

### Saturday, April 28

#### **PACK THE POD: noon-5 p.m.**

Reconciliation, 3:30 p.m.  
Mass, 5:00 p.m., Church  
Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, 6 p.m., Fr. Ernie

### Sunday, April 29

#### **PACK THE POD: 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.**

Mass, 7:30 a.m., Church  
Family Rosary, 8:45 a.m., Church  
Mass/CLOW, 9:30 a.m., Church  
Preschool, 9:30 a.m., CGS  
Altar Server Training, 10:30 a.m., Church  
Mass/CLOW, 11:30 a.m., Church

## Readings of the Week: *Fourth Sunday of Easter*

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Saint George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr</b> <i>Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4; Jn 10:1-10</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr</b> <i>Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 10:22-30</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Saint Mark, Evangelist</b> <i>1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27; Jn 13:16-20</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<i>Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab; Jn 14:1-6</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr;</b> <b>Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest</b> <i>Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 14:7-14</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> <i>Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8</i>

## SACRAMENTS, MINISTERIAL OUTREACH and FAITH SHARING

### Baptisms

Celebrated the third and fourth Sundays of the month following the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Call the Parish Office to register for the Baptism Preparation and Formation class held on the first Sunday of the month. There are no Baptisms during Lent.

### First Eucharist

Parents of children who need to be prepared to receive First Eucharist should contact the Director of Faith Formation, Mary Ellen Skene. Adults who wish to be prepared for First Eucharist should contact the RCIA Coordinator.

### Reconciliation

Celebrated every Saturday from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

### Holy Orders & Religious Vocations

Anyone who is interested in learning more about vocations to the Priesthood or to consecrated religious life should contact the Archdiocesan Office for Vocations at (313) 237-5875.

### Confirmation

Adults who have not been confirmed are invited to call the Parish Office to arrange for classes. Adults may be confirmed along with our students or on Pentecost Sunday at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

### Marriage

Couples are invited to call the Parish Office, minimally six months in advance, to prepare for and schedule their marriage.

### Sacrament of Anointing

Celebrated after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on the first Sunday of every month.

### Funerals

Please contact the Parish Office so that we may walk this journey with you.

### RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for anyone inquiring about the Catholic Faith or who wishes to deepen their own understanding of the Catholic Faith. You are invited to call the RCIA Coordinator, Ric Misiak, for more information on meeting dates and times.

### New Family Registration

If you are new to Our Lady of Victory and would like to become a parishioner, simply visit the Parish Office to complete a form and receive your first set of envelopes.



## Those who need our prayers...

**Dear God,** we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health once more. Please remember to keep in prayer...

Matt Abraham  
Robert Albright  
Sandra Anderson-Gau  
Marie Beaghan  
Mary Bongiovanni  
Barry Broden  
Gina Buchan  
Barbara Burbo  
Jacqueline Commyn  
Patty DelleMonache  
Flora DiPardo  
Nancy Dillon  
Sue Engler  
Charles Johnson  
Jennifer Kuphal  
Ted Lachowicz  
Toni Lachowicz  
Lawrence Larabell  
Suzanne Larabell  
Mildred Madigan  
Maggie McQuillan-Key  
James Maisano  
Caz Mryncza  
Austin Outwater  
Daniel Outwater  
Patricia Outwater  
Stephen Perri  
Howard Perry  
Barb Place  
Donald Rabahy  
Betty Rayburn  
Robert Rayburn  
David Starinsky  
Jackson Stegmeyer  
Bernard Theroux  
Lorraine Theroux  
Lillian Wiktor  
Ann Wiltsie  
Charlotte Zabell

Names are kept on the list for **four weeks**. If you wish to add or remove a name, please call the Parish Office at (248) 349-2621. Thank you!



## Pray For Those Who Serve in Our Military

Do you know someone who is serving in the military? Please call the Parish Office to add your loved one's name.

Continue to pray for peace and for a lasting and peaceful solution to the world's conflicts.

MAJ Mikelles Adamczyk  
USN Patrick Antio  
SrA Olivia Azeez  
CPT Barton Blackorby  
USMC Kristopher Bledsoe  
PFC Brian Bokun  
SSG Joshua Bullock  
SGT Jamie Bushman  
Lt Benjamin Clay USN  
LTJG Hannah Constantakis  
LTJG Katelyn Constantakis  
CPT Daniel Courtney  
LT Michael Cullen  
USMC Robert Dean  
SPC Tyler DeBozy  
MAJ David Faulk  
SSGT Brian A. Hada  
LT John J Hamann  
Chief Matt Haydu  
CPT Jay Heide  
LTC Barbara Krause  
LT Daniel Kuriluk  
CPT Matthew Kuriluk  
CPL Ben Maday  
MAJ Shawn Magowan  
SGT Mark McGlynn  
SGT Alexandra McGlynn  
CPL James McGlynn  
Chap. Tim Meier, SJ  
SGT Steven Miller  
SPC Lauren Moloney  
CW2 Lincoln Moloney  
CPT Rick Moreira, USMC  
MAJ Brooke Heintz Morrissey  
MAJ Michael T. Morrissey  
DC3 SW Jeremy Nemeth  
2LT Brett Quick  
CPT Garrett Quick  
CPT Kelsey Quick  
CPT Mark Saurer  
CPL USMC Gabriel Smith  
SFC William Smith  
PFC Nathan Swiger  
LTC Christopher Wagner  
MAJ Phillip Wiktor  
LTJG Adam Williams

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, April 23

**7:00 p.m. Spec. Int. of OLV Parishioners**  
req. by Fr. Denis and OLV Staff

### Wednesday, April 25

**8:30 a.m. Deda Palushaj**  
req. by George Palushaj  
**Edith Mrakitsch**  
req. by Jenkins and Kara Families  
**Brian Coleman**  
req. by Fr. Denis and OLV Staff

### Thursday, April 26

**8:30 a.m. Spec. Int. of Diane Niehengen**  
req. by Merry Herdell

### Friday, April 27

**8:30 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory**  
req. by Through His Heart Ministry

### Saturday, April 28

**5:00 p.m. Fran Holinoty**  
req. by Phyllis Ely  
**Eleanor Shura**  
req. by Family  
**Rita M. Karg**  
req. by M/M Anthony Galasso

### Sunday, April 29

**7:30 a.m. John Tremonti**  
req. by OLV Church Cleaners  
**9:30 a.m. Nola Bole**  
req. by Laura Bowen  
**Kathy Snyder**  
req. by M/M Barry Kempa  
**Fr. Ernie Porcari**  
req. by a Penitent  
**Pat Sedgewick**  
req. by Jim & Elaine Stewart  
**11:30 a.m. Antonio Silvestri**  
req. by Anna Silvestri and Family  
**William Macchi**  
req. by The Whelans



## Ministry Schedule

	Saturday, April 28	Sunday, April 29		
	5:00 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Clergy	FR. DENIS THEROUX	FR. DENNIS KAUFFMAN	FR. DENNIS KAUFFMAN	FR. DENNIS KAUFFMAN
Lectors	PEGGY BOZYK GENE MCQUAID	TERRY WHITFIELD PAT KOLOWICH	DAVID RABAHY DENISE WEAVER	MIKE NADER ROBERT BOCHY
Altar Servers	ANDREW FRIEDRICH DARIA RORICK ANNA MERUCCI	RYAN TAYLOR STEPHAN TORTORA JACOB TREZIL	GRACE KIZY CAMERON KLINE PENELOPE LIVERMORE	TOMMY WATSON JOSEPH WATSON REESE WOLOSZYN