

# Our Lady of Victory Parish

600 Jones Hill Road West Haven, CT 06516

Ministering to the people of West Haven, Connecticut

“Let us then pursue what leads to peace and to build up one another (Romans 14:19).”

January 6, 2019 Epiphany of the Lord

## Office for the Parish

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday—Friday 9:00AM-5:00PM

Phone: 203-934-6357

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Website: www.olv.org

## Office of Religious Education

Phone: 203-933-0044

E-Mail: olovore@sbcglobal.net

## Beacon on the Hill

### Parish Social Ministry Center

Tuesday—Friday 9:30am - 11:00am

634 Jones Hill Road

Phone: 203-931-9989



*“How good it is, how pleasant, where the people dwell as one!” (Psalm 133:1)*

## Mass Schedule

### Weekend Masses

Sat. 4:30PM; Sun.: 8:00AM, 9:30AM 11:00AM

### Weekday Masses

7:30AM Masses: Mon., Tues, Wed., Fri, & Sat.

**THERE IS NO MORNING MASS THURSDAY**



## PARISH STAFF

### Priest:

Rev. Kevin Dillon, Pastor

*Email—fr.dillon@aohct.org*

### Deacons:

Deacon Frank Bevino

Deacon Dean Macchio

Deacon Paul Sabo (*senior status*)

### Music Ministry:

Eduardo Perez, Director

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Betty Pergolotti, Afternoon Manager

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### Office of Religious

#### Education:

LoriAnn Ruiz, Director of Religious  
Education

### Beacon on the Hill:

Rose Ann Gulisano & Barbara

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Barbara Messina & Marianne

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## Weekly Mass Intentions

† 7:30AM: **Parishioners of OLOV**

† 4:30PM: **Robert A. Keefe** Req by Family

† 8:00AM:

† 9:30AM:

Req by

Gianfredi & Anania Families

† 11:00AM:

Req by Family

† 7:30AM: **Mary & Arthur Nikel** Req by Marla

† 7:30AM: **Special Intentions**

† 7:30AM: **Parishioners of OLOV**

† 7:30AM: **Judy Catenza** Req by Family

† 7:30AM: **Special Intentions**

† 4:30PM: **James M. Cassell** Req by Family

† 8:00 AM: **Parishioners of OLOV**

† 9:30 AM: **Ken Shanklin** Req by Barbara Messina &  
Roseann Guilisano

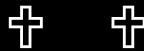
† 11:00AM: **Mary P. Halish** Req by Exercise Group



Please note: Family members or friends for whom a Mass is being offered are invited to bring up the Offertory gifts, please notify one of the ushers just before Mass



*The Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of  
Mr. & Mrs Richard N. DeAngelis  
Requested by  
Mr. & Mrs. Mark P. DeAngelis*



## FINDING GOD

The splendid magi, all sparkle and dash and solemnity, march right up off the pages of Matthew's Gospel and into our churches today. Matthew alone tells us this grand and seductive story so that we might see the light and know that the child these magi visited is the fulfillment of prophecy, the king of the world that stretches to the magi's home country and beyond, right down the ages to us.

We too see and understand anew. Like the magi, our patron saints for this day, we see in the newborn child the king of the universe and light of the world. Like the magi, we find in ourselves a new faith and a new life. Like them, we return to our home by a new route.

We are asked to come away from this festive season ourselves renewed and awake to the presence of God among us. We are asked to find God where God is to be found, to be attentive and surprised and ready to bow down in adoration and to offer our gifts.

### Readings for the week

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 -- 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;

Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72: 1-2, 10, 12-13;

Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 -- 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;

Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4,  
3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30;

Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7;

Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



### Epiphany Customs

In many parts of Europe, the celebration of Epiphany is at least as important as the celebration of Christmas. While in England and her historical colonies, the custom has long been to give gifts on Christmas Day itself, in Italy and other Mediterranean countries, Christians exchange gifts on Epiphany—the day on which the Wise Men brought their gifts to the Christ Child.

In Northern Europe, the two traditions have often been combined, with gift-giving on both Christmas and Epiphany (often with smaller gifts on each of the twelve days of Christmas in between). (In the past, though, the main gift-giving day in both Northern and Eastern Europe was usually the feast of Saint Nicholas.) And in the United States in recent years, some Catholics have tried to revive the fullness of Christmastide. Our family, for instance, opens gifts "from Santa" on Christmas Day, and then, on each of the 12 days of Christmas, the children receive one small gift, before we open all of our gifts to one another on Epiphany (after attending Mass for the feast).

## PARISH PRAYERS



Please keep in your prayers  
Ralph Monaco  
Deborah Shailor  
Sabrina Gallagher  
Lisa L Kinney

Our Lady of Victory Parish extends sincere sympathy to their family and friends.



Welcome to he Our Lady of Victory Family  
Giannia Rose Quagliani  
Vanessa Mae Fanelli

We rejoice with his parents and o er our pray-  
ers as they begin the joyful task of raising their  
child in the Catholic faith.

**GOD BLESS!!**

Prayers for a successful Annual Fund

We are so very grateful for the generosity shown by so many to our Annual Collection. To date 256 families have contributed a total of \$32,190 . If you have not yet had an opportunity to return your pledge card please do so as soon as possible. Every gift is welcomed and sincerely appreciated. **THANK YOU and GOD BLESS**

### Prayer Requests For Our Sick:

  
Richard Acampora, Jason Adams,  
Augliera Family, Judy Alexander,  
Amanda, Valeria Asperelli, Gloria Capelli,  
Gerard Canadeo, Robert Comfort, Michael Cote,  
Rosalie ,Lucy Anne Criscuolo, Howard Curtis ,  
Terry Dini, John Dini, Frank Dini, DeNigris  
Family, Therese Gill, Dee Green, Judy Florio,  
Gloria Foley-Hart, Karen Hodgdon, Don Holmes,  
Paul Hotchkiss, Connie Hubbard, Joseph  
Pekar, Hank Kowalski, Joe Jarry, Florence  
Johnson, Ann LaBonia, Wayne Limosani, Roger  
Loiseau, Edith Lyons, Maureen Lynn, Noah  
McEachern, Leslie McIntoish, Genevieve  
Mieczkowski, Theresa Montz, Kate Moriarty,  
Devin O'Connor, Judy Palmer, Lorita Patchell,  
Lois Peck, Donald Riordan, Elizabeth Ross, Rose  
Santilli, Marian Serphillips, Elizabeth Shamaly,  
Jack & Joan Shea, Richard Smallman, Daniel  
Steinau, Gwen Stiewing, Anthony Terasi, Sr.  
Anthony Terrasi, Jr., Jessie Terrasi ,Anna  
Wideman, Doris Worrrrell

♦ For the sake of privacy, only family members may add someone to the prayer list.

Let Us Pray for all people in the military especially:

Staff Sgt. Adam Dudek  
Pfc Giovanni Gigola  
Airman basic Gabriella Gigola  
Airman Sean Hufcut  
E3 Lexi Ronan, USN  
E5 Ryan Ronan, USN  
Pvt. Christopher Miller



Parishioners are invited to add the names of any armed forces personnel on active duty. To include a name on this list call the rectory at (203)934-6357

**December 30, 2018 Collection - Unavailable at time of printing**

Weekly Collection : . Online Givings

**THANK YOU for your faithful stewardship to our parish! God Bless you**

## Sacraments

### Baptism



Parents who wish to have their child baptized are asked to call the rectory at (203) 934-6357 to prepare properly for this joyous celebration.

Attendance at a Baptismal Prep class is required. The Archdiocese of Hartford mandates this program prior to Baptism. Please call the rectory to register.

### Marriage



Call the rectory to make arrangements to be married. The Archdiocese of Hartford requires a minimum of six months for marriage preparation..

Call (203) 934-6357 for information.

### Confessions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every Saturday afternoon from 3:00-4:00PM at Our Lady of Victory Church. You may also call to make an appointment if needed.

### Sacrament of the Sick

Should anyone need Anointing of the Sick, call Father at the rectory (203) 934-6357 to make an appointment.

### RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

This is an opportunity for those interested in learning what the Catholic Church teaches and wish to be baptized, or to complete their Sacraments of Initiation with the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation. Classes generally begin in the fall. Please call the Rectory at (203) 934-6357 for further information.

### **SPONSOR CERTIFICATES**

The Archdiocese of Hartford requires sponsorship forms in order to serve as a godparent or Confirmation sponsor. You must be an active parishioner, completed all your sacraments and be in a valid marriage. The use of envelopes help us verify your status. Please consider utilizing them. Sponsorship forms and registration forms are available at the Rectory.

Please call (203)934-6357 with any questions you may have.

## Ministry & Organizations

### Homebound Ministry

Please, contact the rectory if you, a family member or a friend is unable to come to church. We have people to visit at home and our Eucharistic Ministers can bring Communion. Please, call us to make arrangements.



### Knights of Columbus



Our parish Council #14326, meets the second Tuesday of every month in the hall at SJV at 7:30PM.

### Choir



Rehearsals are in the church at OLOV. The children's/youth choir rehearse Tuesdays at 5PM. Adults rehearse Wednesdays from 7-9PM.

### Prayer Groups

#### Rosary and Divine Mercy

OLOV: in the church at 4PM every weekday (except legal holidays) we recite the rosary.

#### Lord of Peace Prayer Group



Our Lord of the Peace Group meets at SJV at 7pm each Friday This group is part of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal.

#### Bible Study

Check bulletin for classes and times. Next session will begin September 11, 2018 with Deacon Frank Bevvino.

#### Bereavement Support Group

OLOV offers a 10 week Bereavement Support Group for people mourning the death of a loved one. It will be held in the Spring of 2019 For further information please call the rectory

### **WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF VICTORY**

We are delighted to have you here at Our Lady of Victory Parish! If you are visiting or returning, we pray that the time you spend here enriches your faith; if you are looking for a new parish we would love for you to be a part of our parish family! Parish registration forms are available in the rectory, outside the sacristy and on our website [www.lov.org](http://www.lov.org) We invite those who attend Mass regularly but are not officially registered to join. Please call the rectory at (203) 934-6357 for info.



# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

## The 2019 Mass Book is Open

We are now booking Mass intentions for 2019. You may either call or stop by the rectory during office hours, Monday—Friday 9am to 4pm. Weekend offerings are \$25.00 and weekday offerings are \$15.00. Also available is the Sanctuary Vigil Light for an offering of \$20.00

Call the rectory at (203)934-6357 to schedule a mass or sanctuary candle



## The Lord of Peace Charismatic Prayer



Group meets on Fridays at 7pm at St John Vianney Church 300 Captain Thomas Boulevard West Haven. Meditation in the church is followed by a time of Praise,

Prayer, Bible Sharing and fellowship at 7:30pm in the adjoining rectory. Call (203) 937-8136 for more information. Next meeting 1/18/19



## SOUP'S ON

The Social Justice Ministry is looking for anyone who would be willing to make a large thermos of soup for the "Midnight Run" this winter. We make it only once a month and it is easier than it sounds! And it is so welcome by those who are out in the cold. For more information, contact Joan Reynolds at 203-676-1425.

## BEACON ON THE HILL

The Beacon on the Hill Volunteers would like to thank the Our Lady of Victory Parish for your outpouring of love and support through the generous donations of diapers, food, clothing, and other Giving Tree items. So many of our sisters and brothers in need had a Merry Christmas because of you!



### Thank You!



Please save your Christmas Cards to help us make next year's Giving Tree Ornaments! Your cards can be brought to the OLOV Rectory or The Beacon on the Hill.

### Beacon Durable Goods

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A very special thank you to Carl A. Anderson, Supreme Knight and the Knights of Columbus for their very generous donation to support the work carried out by the Beacon on the Hill. We are most appreciative.

# CHRISTMAS AT OLOV 2018



## 2019 Schedules



### 2019 Engaged Couples Conference Dates

**In order to be married in the Church, couples are required to attend an Engaged Couples Conference.**

**The conferences will be sponsored by Our Lady of Victory Parish and held at St. John Vianney Church campus 300 Captain Thomas Boulevard West Haven, CT on the following dates:**

February 10, 2019

April 28, 2019

June 2, 2019

October 6, 2019

Please contact the Archdiocese of Hartford Family Life Office at Family.Life.Office@aohct.com or call (860) 242-5573 ext. 2690 to register or obtain further information.



in the name of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

### \* 2019 Baptism Schedule

**Time: Immediately following the 11:00 am OLOV Mass**

**No Baptisms on the 1st Sunday of the month, holidays or special days**

**\*\*Baptismal Prep Workshop is required is mandatory of first time parents.in order for your child to be baptized. Please call the rectory at (203) 934-6357 to register for the workshop.**

#### Workshop Dates

January 6, 2019

February 3, 2019

March 3, 2019

April 7, 2019

May 5, 2019

June, 2. 2019

No Prep Class in July

August 4, 2019

No Prep Class in September

October 6, 2019

November 3, 2019

December 1, 2019

#### Baptism Dates

January 13 & 27

February 10 & 24

March 10 & 24

April 28

May 19

June 9 & 23

July 14 & 28

August 11 & 25

September 8 & 22

October 13 & 27

November 10 & 23



December 8 & 29





# JANUARY 2019



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
6	7	8	9		11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	 



## SAVE THE WEEK

We interrupt this cold winter weather to bring thoughts of warm temperatures, pizza, cotton candy, rides and raffles to ask parishioners and friends of OLOV to save the dates for the

# 62nd annual OLOV Carnival

## July 16, 2019—July 20, 2019

This is our largest fundraiser of the year so prayerfully consider joining in by volunteering ,



### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Monday of this week is Christmas Day in Russia and in much of the Orthodox world. This curious difference in schedule has a lot to do with how calendars have been developed and changed over the years. In the year 45 B.C. Julius Ceasar gave the empire his Julian Calendar, with the winter solstice on January 6. This put an end to a system in which officials called pontiffs were able to tweak the calendar by adding extra days in as needed. He invented two new months at that time, December and January; and in order to correct the mess the pontiffs had made, forced a year of 445 days on the empire in what he named The Last Year of Confusion. The new months varied in number of days according to a complex schedule, but the calendar was still off by nearly twelve minutes a year, and lost a full day every 130 years. Pope Gregory XIII reformed the calendar in 1583, but not everyone appreciated his efforts. England held out for two hundred years. The year 1700 was a leap year in England, but not in France; they were eleven days apart! George Washington was really born on February 11; when the Gregorian calendar was finally adopted in the English colonies shortly before the Revolution, he had to move his birthday to February 22. Now the calendars are thirteen days apart, which accounts for Russia's Julian calendar Christmas. And Caesar thought he had brought confusion to an end!



### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Give the gift of time and yourself to your spouse by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Feb 1-3, 2019 in MANCHESTER, CT and Jul 12-14, 2019 in MANCHESTER, CT. For more information, call Pat & Mary-Jo McLaughlin at 860-315-2127 or visit them at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

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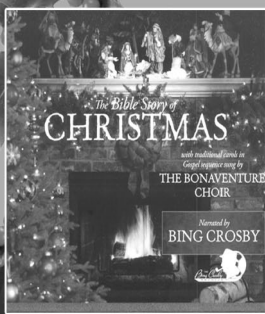
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