

Our Lady of Victory

JULY 4, 2010
14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Theme: Enlisting in the Cause

Today, when we celebrate the 4th of July, a day when the United States celebrates a victory that created a new nation, our scriptures invite us to celebrate Jesus' victory on the cross and rejoice in the new creation that He inaugurated. Unlike human nations, God's reign is eternal. Jesus Christ invites us to sign up for service in the greatest cause of all.

On the Fourth of July, Americans celebrate their freedom and pledge allegiance to the United States of America. They know that their freedom does not come without a price. Many young people enlist in the military to protect the cause of "liberty and justice for all" because they believe that the cause is a good and righteous one. Many also sign up to serve their country because they are convinced that the United States and its cause will always be victorious. Today's Scriptures invite us to celebrate God's inevitable and imminent victory. For the Reign of God to triumph in the world, God needs us to enlist in the cause.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	NO MASS	NO MASS	
Tuesday	9:00 AM OLV	Joseph Trapani Family	Estate
Wednesday	7:30 AM GOH	Mass at Gate of Heaven	
Thursday	NO MASS	NO MASS	
Friday	9:00 AM OLV	Regina Darraugh	Pete & Karen Kaminski
Saturday	4:00 PM GOH	Mass at Gate of Heaven	
	5:30 PM OLV	Richard & Anne Foley	Daughter, Laura
Sunday	7:00 AM OLV	William Kasarda	Lehman Field Hockey Team
	10:30 AM OLV	Mervin Mikula	Mike, Lisa, & Michael

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Saturday, July 10th

5:30 PM N. Kosloski, M. Herron, S. Marszalek

Sunday, July 4th

7:00 AM T. Kutzer

10:30 AM B. Baur, P. Manik, M. Bart

Lectors

M. Bednarek

J. Jones

M. Edwards

Altar Servers

C. & M. Pino

K. Supey

M. Terninko, N. & S. Mirra

CONFESSION SCHEDULE: Saturdays in July at Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas from 2:15 – 3:15 PM. Mondays 5:00-6:30 PM at GOH.

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!

Today we celebrate our freedom and the privileges we have in this great land. We should remember that our freedom comes from God. God has indeed blessed America. We also celebrate the freedom God has granted to us and the great privilege of serving our Living Lord. On behalf of Father Toomey and the parish staff we extend to our parishioners and visitors wishes for a happy & safe 4th of July!

BASKET RAFFLE!

They're here and on display at the front of the church! This past week parishioners received a letter about how to support this year's Golf Tournament. Raffle tickets were sent to all for your convenience. Check out the baskets ~ "Grilling basket", "Wine Basket", "Basket of Cheer", "Car Care Basket", "Movie Basket", "Doggie Basket", "Spa & Pampering Basket", "Children's Basket", "Piggy Bank". Place your ticket stubs with your name, address and phone number in the container next to the basket of your choice. Payment for your tickets can be submitted by means of the collection basket in a separate envelope or handed to the representative at the front of the church on the weekends. Tickets are \$2 each, 3 for \$5, 7 for \$10, or 20 for \$20. Extra raffle tickets are available for purchase at the front of the church. The baskets will be on display throughout the rest of the summer and winners will be picked at the Golf Tournament dinner on Friday, September 10, 2010. Thank you for your support and good luck!

FATIMA DEVOTIONS

Fatima Devotions will be held on Tuesday, July 13th at 7:00 PM here at Our Lady of Victory Church. Come join us in honoring our Blessed Mother with these special devotions. The devotions are held

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Our biggest fundraiser of the year is quickly coming up! Join us on Friday, September 10, 2010 at Mill Race Golf Course, Benton. Mark your calendars now and reserve this date. Registration flyers can be found on the front desk and in the Cry Room. \$80/person includes: Green Fees, Motor cart, lunch, open bar cocktail hour. Hors D'oeuvres and dinner back at the church, beer, soda and prizes. Don't miss out on a great time!

HOLE SPONSORS: Another aspect of the tournament is our Hole Sponsors. Many of you over the years have supported this event by being a Hole Sponsor for the Golf Tournament. Display your business name or family name as a sponsor at the Golf Course and then back at the church. Signs will be on display for the weekend. You can choose to be a Platinum Sponsor at \$200, a Gold Sponsor at \$100 or a Silver Sponsor at \$50. Flyers are at the exits of the church!

SANCTUARY CANDLE: burns this week in loving memory of Leo Bartz given by Geri & Lynn Bartz.

FLOWERS: are in loving memory of Teresa & James Britt, given by the Britt Family.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PICTURES are available for pick up in the area of the church kitchen.

LIFELINES: We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and pursuit of Happiness: that to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

-The Declaration of Independence (1776)

DIAPER DRIVE: The Pro-Life Group will be collecting diapers for the Pro-Life Center, W-B during the month of July. Packages of Newborn *and Size 1 – only please!* Diapers can be left at the front of the church under the front desk or in the church kitchen window. Thank you for your support of Pro-Life!

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Eucharistic Ministers are needed to distribute Communion to the residents of the Meadows Nursing Home, one hour a month, on a Sunday. If you are available to help, please call Kathy Barlow at 675-8818 or 574-8371.

CATHOLIC UNDERGROUND: Catholic Underground PA is proud to present “Catholic Celtic Musicians Seasons at Annunciation Parish” at St. Gabriel’s Church in Hazelton at 7pm on Friday, July 9th. Come join us for a time of Adoration, Worship and uplifting fellowship. For more info: www.catholicundergroundpa.com or 403-3094.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES: CSS recently began “Street Links”, a program which offers youth the opportunity to become fully engaged in their own development as a healthy, productive member of society. CSS is dedicated to providing families with the support necessary to maintain a happy, healthy relationship with each other. Catholic Social Services of the Diocese of Scranton is with you providing help and creating hope.

PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous support of the essential work of the Holy Father and his charitable acts through the Peter’s Pence Collection. You have helped to cast Christ’s love upon the world.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: will be held here at Our Lady of Victory on Sunday, July 18th from 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Blood supplies are very low during the summer months so your donation is very much needed and appreciated!

Volunteers Needed: We are in need of escorts for the blood drive as well as people to help in the kitchen, a greeter to take initial information and bakers to supply some refreshments for the donors (cakes, cookies, etc.) A sign-up paper can be found on the front desk and in the Cry Room.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Our Lady of Victory & Gate of Heaven will conduct a Vacation Bible School July 12-16, from 9:30am to Noon for Pre-K through those entering 4th grade Bible School be held at Gate of Heaven gym. Cost \$10/child or \$15/family. Call Kathy Selner at 696-4715 or church office church office for more information.

YOUTH MUSIC CAMP: Gate of Heaven will sponsor a Youth Music Camp, July 19-23 from 9:30 AM – Noon. Special Youth Liturgy on July 25th at Noon. Ice Cream Social following the liturgy. Call 675-2121 to register. Children in grades 3-8 are welcome!

LOCAL BAZAARS:

Holy Trinity Church-Swoyersville: July 8,9,10 on the church grounds 5-11 PM. Homemade ethnic foods, games & live entertainment each evening.

Holy Family Church – Sugar Notch: July 9,10 from 6-11, Sunday July 11 6-10. Rain or shine – church grounds, Main St. Homemade ethnic foods, pierogies, potato pancakes, halushki. Games, Bingo and prizes. Saturday – Pony Rides for the kids.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel- Hunlock Creek: July 16, 17 from 6-11:30pm & July 18 from 3-9pm. Route 29, Lake Silkworth. Homemade food, Games & prizes, baskets, & huge indoor air-conditioned flea market.

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION: Your sacrificial offerings from the weekend of June 26-27 were \$4,925.65. *Thank you for your generosity!*

MINISTER TRAINING: There will be training for any person who wishes to serve as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion for their parish. Classes will take place at Holy Redeemer High School, Wilkes-Barre on Mondays, July 12, 19, and 26 from 6:30-9 pm. If you want more information or want to register, call Deacon Tom 674-1654.