

# Our Lady of Victories Church

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

Established 1917

December 29, 2024

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

## SERVED BY:

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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 28 (Sunday Vigil)

- ◆ 5:00 PM—Virginia Cesario (Birthday in Heaven)

## SUNDAY - December 29 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

- ◆ 8:00 AM—For the Holy Souls
- ◆ 10:00 AM—Black Nazarene Devotees
- ◆ 12:00 NN—Noel Vivas

## MONDAY - December 30

- ◆ 8:30 AM—Tomasa Rabara (Birthday in Heaven)
- ◆ 6:30 PM—Ricardo Corpuz, Jr. (Birthday in Heaven)

## TUESDAY - December 31 St Sylvester I

- ◆ 8:30 AM—Marcela Domaoan (Birthday in Heaven)

**MASSES FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY,  
THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD  
(Observed as a Holyday of Obligation in 2025)**

## TUESDAY - December 31

- ◆ 5:00 PM—Jennie Langan

## WEDNESDAY - January 1 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

- ◆ 8:30 AM—Tom and Marie Rush
- ◆ 12:00 NN—Teodoro Licuanan (Birthday in Heaven)

## THURSDAY - January 2 Sts Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

- ◆ 8:30 AM—Rolando Damaoan (Death Anniversary)
- ◆ 6:30 PM—Zosimo Tropel (Birthday Blessings)

## FRIDAY - January 3 Holy Name of Jesus

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

- ◆ 8:30 AM—Aurora Domaoan Del Castillo (Death Anniv.)
- ◆ 6:30 PM—Catalina B. Millares

## SATURDAY - January 4 St Elizabeth Ann Seton

- ◆ 8:30 AM—Our Lady of Peñafrancia Devotees

## SATURDAY - January 4 (Sunday Vigil)

- ◆ 5:00 PM—Dominador Abello, Jr. (Birthday in Heaven)

## SUNDAY - January 5 Epiphany of the Lord

- ◆ 8:00 AM—Antonio Fortaleza
- ◆ 10:00 AM—Jaime David (1st Death Anniversary)
- ◆ 12:00 NN—Mary Gene & Elizabeth Mary Quiroz (Birthday Blessings)



**Masses for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God  
(Observed as a Holyday of Obligation in 2025)**

**December 31, 2024 at 5:00PM**

**January 1, 2025 at 8:30AM and 12:00NN**

**The Parish Office will be closed from  
December 31st to January 3rd.**



### FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS:

**In Memory of Jane Scanlon - \$40.00**

*From husband, John*

### SANCTUARY CANDLE:

**In Memory of Deceased Members of  
Matassa & Bedford Families**

*From the Family*



**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, Elizabeth DeFalco, Raul Tan, Robert B., May Gonzales, Tess Perez, Susan Gonzalo, Jose Veloso, Grace Collelo, Angelita Peña, Rowena Linga, Loretta Kallighan, Josef Mendiola, L.D., Michael Loretto, Margaret Romano, Mary Ann McGrath, Travis Lorenzo, C.Balbin, Mario Jaranilla, Lord Rheo Matias, Sr. Carol Marie, Felimon Bagares, Jr., Rubenstein Joseph, Ray Agcaoili, Rowena Diaz, Louis Redondo, Lenny Haynoski, Fr. Victor Paloma, Dr. Emma Mangosing, Nestor R. Ayuso, Jr., Eliseo B. Cardenas, Necita Racelis, John Scanlon, Joan Scerbo, Dia Domaoan, Nora B. Yamamoto, Cynthia F. Bautista, Rowena Yaptangco, Artis Santos, Diwata Villanueva, Ravilyn C. Saña, Rodrigo Tapales, Jeanette Tait, William Perez, Thess Gutierrez, Angelica Roa Pascual, Joseph J. Skrocki.

*\*\*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 12/22/24 \$4,232.00**

**Christmas Collection \$6,980.00**

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.

**"Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord"—Psalm 45**

# Thank You!!!!

The celebration of Simbang Gabi at Our Lady of Victories Parish is always successful because of the tireless efforts of the volunteers and donors. Thank you to everyone who continue to share their time, talents and treasures with our parish. We could not have done it once more without you. *Maraming, maraming salamat! - Fr. Ralph*

### Simbang Gabi Sponsors:

Ocean of Mercy Devotees  
 Victory Chicken House  
 Black Nazarene Devotees  
 Our Lady of Manaoag Devotees  
 Brgy. Sang Virgen Devotees  
 Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotees  
 First Friday Adorers  
 Our Lady of Peñafrancia Devotees  
 Sacred Heart Devotees  
 Divine Mercy Devotees  
 Our Lady of Fatima Devotees  
 St. John's Prayer Group  
 The Lord's Flock Charismatic Group  
 Siendo & Dela Cruz Families of California  
 El Shaddai Charismatic Group  
 EMs and Lectors  
 OLV Choir  
 Servant's Voice Choir  
 Ushers  
 Altar Servers

### Food Donors:

Victory Chicken House  
 Betty & Jimmy Buenviaje  
 Nueva Elma  
 Friends who prepared the food everyday

### Choirs:

OLV Choir  
 Servant's Voice  
 Shanice, Paulo, Jun and Craig

### Priest Celebrants:

Fr. Manolo, Fr. Raul, Fr. Dave, Fr. Ryan, Fr. Alfie,  
 Fr. Neil, Fr. Chris, Fr. Joseph and Deacon Meynard.

Altar Servers: Arjohn, Uni, Chris, Samantha

### Decorations:

Kit, Mila, Malou, Dorothy, Nestor, Richard, Edward

Tech-Persons: Richard Punzalan and Mark Fargas

Parish Staff: Nestor, Ritz and Gilda

*\*\*Please forgive us if we missed anyone by mistake \*\**

## This Week at OLV

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
Dec 31	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	
Jan 1 to 3	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	
Jan 3 7:00pm	First Friday Eucharistic Adoration	Church
Jan 4 3:00pm	O.C.I.A.	Rectory
4:00pm	OL Manaoag Novena	Church
6:30pm	Lord's Flock Healing Mass	Church
Jan 5 2:00pm	El Shaddai Charismatic Group	Church Bsmt

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40  
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18  
 Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21  
 Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28  
 Friday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34  
 Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42  
 Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

### Treasures of Tradition...

In the last century, a few new feasts were blended into the Church year, including today's. After World War I, the chaos of daily life in Europe made its impact felt on the family structure. Partly to offer Christians an image of hope and holiness in married family life, and also to promote the welfare of children, today's feast was "invented" in 1921. In 1969, it became a feast of Christmas.

The prayers today remind us not only of family life, but of life in the community of faith. We ponder the mystery of a God who loves us dearly enough to embrace the struggles, joys, and daily sorrows of family life. The message of Christmas shines through: God-with-us is available to us in the ordinary patterns of our lives and commitments. The lives of people who raise their children in difficult circumstances, and of people who remain faithful to life in the church in spite of some of their own family struggles, occupy a special place in our hearts today in prayer.

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### EMs and Lectors for January 4-5, 2025 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Date	Sat, Jan 4, 5:00 PM	Sun, Jan 5, 8:00 AM	Sun, Jan 5, 10:00 AM	Sun, Jan 5, 12:00 PM
Lector1	Cora Herrera	Cathy Mariano	Edna Falconer	Lina Bustamante
Lector2	Dorothy Tillano	Letty Buenviaje	Aurra Garcia	Gilbert Gabinete
EM	Dionisia Perez	Julieta De Los Reyes	Tessie Santos	Jimmy Bustamante
EM	Riza Sotto	Vicky Bugarin	Alma Redondo	Tessie Llenera
EM	Carino Perez	Jimmy Buenviaje	Cathy Mariano	Rita Samson
Usher1/Overseer	Purita Legaspi	Marilyn De Guzman	Fel Lim	Tess Alvarez

# SAVE THE DATE!!!

Sinulog sa Jubileo 2025 at the Immaculate Heart of Mary and St. Patrick Church in Elizabeth, NJ on Sunday, January 5th. Subsidized bus fee of \$20 round trip per person. Please pay at the Parish Office as you reserve your seat.



Week of December 29, 2024



### New Year's Resolutions | The Augustine Institute Show

What's your resolution this year? Dr. Tim Gray welcomes Dr. Scott Hefelfinger, Assistant Professor of Theology in the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology, to celebrate one year of the Augustine Institute Show!



### Christmas | Sacred Art

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they look at the painting Adoration of the Shepherds by Gerard van Honthorst to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord. This famous painting reveals the Christ Child as the light that has come into the world and also depicts the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and the shepherds to be models of adoration to our humble Lord who came as a helpless baby.



### O Holy Night, The King is Born: What Christmas Is About

Celebrate the wonder and joy of Christmas with Brother Francis in this heartwarming presentation of the birth of God's Son! Witness the moving submission of Mary, Joseph, and others as they make way for our Savior.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.  
Visit [signup.formed.org](http://signup.formed.org) and select our parish name.

An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and gracious press

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: \_\_\_\_\_

## JUBILEE 2025 – PILGRIMS OF HOPE OPENING MASS

*The Christian life is a journey calling for moments of greater intensity to encourage and sustain hope as the constant companion that guides our steps towards the goal of our encounter with the Lord Jesus.*

–*Spes non confundit, 5*

In May of 2024, Pope Francis announced that a Holy Year of Jubilee, entitled Jubilee 2025–Pilgrims of Hope, will open in Rome on the eve of the Nativity of the Lord, December 24, 2024, and conclude on the Epiphany of the Lord, January 6, 2026.

Jubilee 2025 promises to be a time of grace for the Universal Church. In the Archdiocese of Newark each of the parishes and the entire Catholic community—clergy, those in consecrated life, and the lay faithful—should have many opportunities to share in this grace.

Pope Francis has directed that “on Sunday, 29 December 2024, in every cathedral and co-cathedral, diocesan bishops are to celebrate Holy Mass as the solemn opening of the Jubilee Year” (*Spes non confundit, 6*).

All of the priests, religious, and lay faithful of the Archdiocese of Newark are invited to join Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin on Sunday, December 29, 2024, the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, for the opening Mass at 12:00 Noon at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark

All are invited to visit the Archdiocesan Jubilee 2025 website at [rcan.org/jubilee-2025](http://rcan.org/jubilee-2025).

### MONTHLY MEMORIAL MASSES

Our Parish has a monthly Memorial Mass for the deceased on the first Monday of every Month.

Those enrolled are prayed for once a month for one year.

A large decorative Mass card is available.

Contact the Parish Office for more details.



January 2025: No Classes (Winter Break)

Visit our website at <https://www.olvjc.org/evangelization> for more information or email Gilda Salvo at [ccd@olvjc.org](mailto:ccd@olvjc.org) for any questions.