

**OUR LADY OF VICTORY CHURCH
FLORAL PARK, NY**



MINISTRY BOOKLET

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

WE, the parish of Our Lady of Victory, proclaim with joy the presence of Jesus in the world through Word, Sacrament, and Deed. It is through our discipleship that we recognize our connection to God, our neighbor, and our deepest spiritual selves.

WE seek to live out the Gospel of Jesus Christ by

- + Welcoming all with kindness, compassion, and hospitality.
- + Nourishing the faith life of the community through prayer, fellowship, and education.
- + Reverencing the dignity of each person by celebrating the beauty of life from conception to natural death.
- + Nurturing the gifts of all so that each person may live out his or her unique and personal calling from God.
- + Caring for the needs of the less fortunate by empowering our parish community to answer that call.

WE do all this in the name of Jesus Christ and the mandate:
“See those Christians how they love one another!”

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Thomas M. Fusco, *Pastor*

Rev. Daniel Okopu-Mensah, *Associate Pastor*

Deacon Lawrence P. Mulligan

Peg Augello, *School Principal*

Christine Fuchs, *Director of Faith Formation*

Mary Garofalo, *Director of Adult Faith Formation*

Maureen Russell, *Director of Parish Outreach*

Joanna Connolly, *Director of Music*

Michael Foley, *Youth Minister*

Jane Parrinelli, *Business Manager*

OUR LADY OF VICTORY WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 8:30 am, 4:00 pm, 5:30 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12 noon, 5:30 pm

OUR LADY OF VICTORY R. C. CHURCH



2 Floral Parkway, Floral Park, NY 11001

Rectory: (516) 354-0482 Fax: (516) 354-7450

Our Lady of Victory School: (516) 352-4466

Faith Formation (516) 354-0510

Parish Outreach (516) 352-5400

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**OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH
MINISTRY AND ORGANIZATION CONTACTS**

Altar Servers	Father Thomas Fusco	354-0482
Baptismal Prep	Father Thomas Fusco	354-0482
Bereavement Ministry	Maureen Bornander	718-343-3242
Blood Drives	Joseph Pelletiere	328-0637
Cardboard Box Players	Mary DeBorger	376-6966
Catholic Ministry Appeal	Jane Parrinelli	354-0482
Catholics for Freedom of Religion	Patty Costello	488-6148
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Donna Linskog	917-373-0720
Compassionate Care	Maureen Russell	352-5400
CYO	Michael Murphy	olvbasketball2010@gmail.com
Homebound Eucharistic Ministers	Giovanna Roos	354-0482
Faith Formation	Christine Fuchs	352-0510
Finance Committee	Father Thomas Fusco	354-0482
Knights of Columbus	Matt Troy	354-2781
Lectors	Mary Garofalo	437-6292
Lepanto Prayer Mission	Amanda Bonagura	358-0848
Ministry of Consolation	Eileen Lonergan	775-7551
Music Ministry	Joanna Connolly	718-915-4289
OLV School Board	School Office	352-4466
OLV Home/School Assoc.	School Office	352-4466
Parish Outreach	Maureen Russell	352-5400
Pastoral Council	Father Thomas Fusco	354-0482
Pre-Cana	Tom & Val Donoghue	354-1497
R.C.I.A. &	Mary Garofalo	456-5036
Adult Faith Formation	Janet Cordano	294-4266
Respect Life	Maureen Russell	352-5400
Rosary Altar Society	Tracy Bohack	tracy8077@aim.com
Scripture Study	Marion Tannuzzo	358-4102
Ushers & Greeters	Father Thomas Fusco	354-0482
Vacation Bible Camp	Noreen Dodson	488-4506
Youth Ministry	Michael Foley	354-0482
St. Vincent de Paul	Thomas O'Keeffe	352-5400

ADMINISTRATION

Parish Pastoral Council

Contact: Father Thomas M. Fusco (516) 354-0482

The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body to the Pastor. The purpose of the Council is to support the Parish Mission statement; to provide recommendations for parish priorities and directions through pastoral planning; and to promote communication and understanding among Parish organizations.

Finance Committee

Contact: Father Thomas M. Fusco (516) 354-0482

The Finance Committee serves as an advisory group to assist the Pastor in development and management of Parish resources, review quarterly financial statements, and oversee Parish expenditures to ensure proper stewardship.

Catholic Ministries Appeal

Contact: Jane Parrinelli (516) 354-0482

The Catholic Ministries Appeal is a fund-raising effort to assist the Diocese and our Parish in our many diocesan-wide and parish-wide ministries, including Catholic Charities.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers

Contact: Fr. Daniel Okopu-Mensab (516) 354-0482

Altar Servers assist the priest as he celebrates the Mass. This ministry is open to boys and girls from 5th grade onward. Training is offered. Parents are also welcome to volunteer with responsibilities including scheduling, chaperoning, etc.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Contact: Donna Linskog (917) 373-0720

Volunteers share the Word of God with the children who attend the 10:30 am Family Mass by celebrating a Liturgy of the Word with the children in Our Lady's Chapel.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Moderator: Father Thomas M. Fusco

Contact: Giovanna Roos (516) 354-0482

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available to bring Holy Communion to the homebound. They also assist with the distribution of Holy Communion during Mass. This ministry requires that one be a Catholic in good standing, faithfully fulfill the Mass assignments, and attend all necessary meetings. The length of commitment for this ministry is three years. Interested parishioners may request an application from the rectory office. Diocesan training is provided.

Lectors

Moderator: Father Thomas M. Fusco

Contact: Mary Garofalo (516) 437-6292

Lectors proclaim the Word of the Lord to parishioners at Masses. This ministry requires that one be a Catholic in good standing, faithfully fulfill the Mass assignments, and attend all necessary meetings. Lectors should have an ability not only to read clearly, but to proclaim the Word of God with understanding and clarity. The length of commitment for this ministry is three years. Diocesan training is provided.

Music Ministry

Contact: Joanna Connolly (718) 915-4289

The talent of music is used to sing praise to the Lord. This musical prayer brings us closer to God at Mass. Opportunities at Our Lady of Victory include the Adult Choir and Handbell Choir. Vocalists and instrumentalists are welcome. Rehearsals for the adult choir are held one evening per week.

Hospitality (Ushers and Greeters)

Contact: Father Thomas M. Fusco (516) 354-0482

Ushers and greeters use their friendly and warm personalities to welcome parishioners to Mass every Saturday and Sunday. These hospitable people help respond to the needs of the congregation and help visitors. They collect the offering and assist in organizing the people who present the gifts at the offertory.

Blood Bank Drives

Contact: Joseph Pelletiere (516) 328-0637

Twice a year, parishioners are asked to save a life through the generous donation of blood. Help is needed with pre-publicity and on the day of the drives.

OLV SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS

OLV School Board

Contact: OLV School Office 515-352-4466

The School Board is a consultative body to the pastor and principal. They meet monthly to share ideas and set goals in order to assist all in the elementary school community.

Home School Association

Contact: OLV School Office (516) 352-4466

This enthusiastic group of parents work tirelessly for the benefit of all in the school and parish community. Their activities include parent education, social gatherings, and fund raising. They also coordinate the school support activities of the parents.



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Catholics for Freedom of Religion

Contact: *Patty Costello* (516) 488-6148

Catholics for Freedom of Religion work for the protection of religious liberty in our country. They serve through prayer, education and advocacy.

Rosary Altar Society

Contact: *Tracy Boback* tracy8077@aim.com

The Rosary Altar Society is a group of parish women who have a devotion to our Blessed Mother. They work toward the beautification of the altar by cleaning it and caring for altar linens. They meet during the year and conduct fund raisers. Their aim is to help provide a beautiful and prayerful place to worship and to support our pastor however we can.

Respect Life

Contact: *Maureen Russell* (516) 352-5400

Members strive to encourage a deeper respect for the sacredness of human life from conception to natural death. They educate and raise the awareness of the parishioners as to what can threaten or destroy the most vulnerable members of the human family.

Floral Park Knights of Columbus

Contact: *Matt Troy* (516) 354-2781

An opportunity for Christian men and their families to be directly involved in service to the Church, community, Council, family, and youth.

Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)

Contact: *Michael Murphy* ohvbastketball2010@gmail.com

Our CYO Basketball, Volleyball and Track Ministry provides a physical, social, and spiritual growing experience for all Parish children from grades 3 thru 12.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Adult Faith Formation

Contact: *Mary Garofalo* (516) 456-5036

Adult Education Courses are offered on a regular basis. The Basic Course, which includes a series of courses on the Old Testament, the New Testament, Christology, Ecclesiology, Sacraments/Liturgy and Morality, is presented at weekly meetings.

Faith Formation

Contact: *Christine Fuchs* (516) 352-0510

Catechists pass on the truths of our faith by helping children develop a relationship with Jesus in their weekly religious education classes in grades 1 to 8. There is a need for teachers, classroom aides, and safety monitors. Training and ongoing formation is provided. A one-year commitment is requested.

Right of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Contact: *Mary Garofalo* (516) 456-5036

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for those who are interested in becoming Catholic or in completing the Sacraments of Initiation (*Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist*). Members meet weekly for formation, information, and prayer. Sacraments are received at the Easter Vigil.

Pre-Cana

Contact: *Rectory Office* (516) 354-0482

Couples planning for marriage need to complete a Marriage Preparation program. Pre-Cana features host couples who share their life journey with the engaged couples by providing them with insights, which will strengthen their commitment.

Baptismal Preparation

Contact: *Fr. Thomas M. Fusco* (516) 354-0482

We welcome, share our faith, and assist the parents in preparation for their baby's Baptism. Parents are encouraged to grow in a deeper understanding of the treasure of the Sacrament of Baptism and the responsibilities of being a Catholic parent.

Scripture Study

Contact: Marion Tannuzzi

(516) 358-4102

The Scripture Study Group meets to deepen our understanding of the readings of Sunday's Mass. In this endeavor, we seek a greater realization of God's presence to us in Scripture and in our daily lives.

Vacation Bible Camp

Contact: Noreen Dodson

(516) 488-4506

A creative summertime program that is both fun and faith-filled. Children experience the love of God and each other through Bible stories, crafts, and song. Volunteer counselors are always welcome to help make this experience truly memorable.

Cardboard Box Players

Contact: Mary DeBorger

(516) 376-6966

Fun-filled summer theater workshop where participants, grades 3-8, learn the fundamentals of theater as they prepare for their summer performance.

PASTORAL CARE

Ministry of Compassionate Care Comfort Callers

Contact: Maureen Russell

(516) 352-5400

The Ministry of Compassionate Care seeks to bring the love and concern of our parish community into the homes of our ill, elderly or disabled neighbors. Members of this ministry bring Holy Communion to the homebound upon request.

Ministry of Consolation

Contact: Eileen Lonergan

(516) 775-7551

The Ministry of Consolation consists of volunteer members of the Parish community dedicated to consolation and support of those who have suffered the loss of a loved one. They help the bereaved prepare for the funeral.

Bereavement Ministry

Contact: Maureen Bornander

(718) 343-3242

Bereavement Ministry is an 8-week support group that is available for people who are suffering from the loss of a loved one. Sharing the loss is one way to help one through the grief journey.

Lepanto Prayer Mission

Contact: Amanda Bonagura

(516) 358-0848

The Lepanto Prayer Mission seeks volunteers willing to pray the Rosary for the needs of our parish and surrounding communities. We also pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for deceased parishioners. There are no meetings, making Lepanto a perfect ministry for home-bound parishioners and busy commuters.

Outreach Volunteers

Contact: Maureen Russell

(516) 352-5400

Pantry Workers organize and assist with the collection and distribution of food from the parish pantry.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Contact: Thomas O'Keefe

(516) 352-5400

Members help and serve the needy of our community by embracing all works of charity, exemplifying God's love by distributing food, clothing, and other needs to distressed families and individuals.