



OUR LADY OF LOURDES
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
MALVERNE, NEW YORK

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 28, 2026

Walking the Path of Faith

Matthew 10:37-42



Rev. James T. Stachacz, Pastor

Deacon Richard H. Portuese

Rev. Brandon P. O'Brien, J.C.L., In Residence

Rev. Eugene C. Umeyor, CMF, In Residence

THE GUIDING LIGHT FROM THE GROTTTO
THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
MATTHEW 10:37-42

THE USE OF LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS



Since 1994, the Catholic Church has permitted those who suffer from celiac disease to receive low-gluten hosts. This directive was issued by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith under the leadership of Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, who later became Pope Benedict XVI. The Church allows the use of low-gluten hosts so that those who suffer from celiac

disease may receive Our Lord in Holy Communion and not be excluded from full participation in the sacramental life of the Church.

Under Canon Law 924, communion hosts must be made solely of wheat and water. This is the matter that Our Lord used at the Last Supper when He gave Himself to His disciples. Therefore, fully gluten-free alternatives made from rice, corn, or other starches are not permitted.

The Church teaches:

1. Hosts that are completely gluten-free are invalid matter for the celebration of the Eucharist.
2. Low-gluten hosts are valid matter, provided they contain enough gluten to permit the making of bread without the addition of foreign materials or the use of processes that would alter the nature of bread. (Directive of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, 1995)

Low-gluten hosts are produced using specially processed wheat starch that retains the valid sacramental matter while reducing the gluten content to a level that is safe for most individuals with celiac disease—less than 0.001%.

The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri, are among the monastic communities in the United States that produce altar breads. They are especially known for developing and producing low-gluten hosts. Sister Ruth Starman, who oversees altar bread production, explained that the hosts are made “by combining two different wheat starches that have had most of the gluten removed.” The starches are processed through a special milling method, and the hosts are baked in the same manner as regular Communion hosts.

The Clyde Abbey was the first altar bread producer in the United States approved by the Vatican to manufacture low-gluten hosts. The sisters reported that it took more than ten years of experimentation to develop the proper recipe.

Sister Jane Heschmeyer, who also works in the altar bread department, described the breakthrough:

“We were done with an experiment for the day and kind of had a little batter left on the spoon, so we flicked it onto the waffle iron and forgot about it and went and washed dishes.

We opened it up and there was a lacy-looking edible thing. So we ate it right away and forgot how we got there, but the Holy Spirit helped us get back to that.”

According to a report by Daniel Payne of Catholic News Agency, the sisters have been producing low-gluten hosts since 2004.

Here at Our Lady of Lourdes, as should be practiced throughout the Church, we offer low-gluten hosts for those who are unable to receive regular hosts because of celiac disease or gluten sensitivity.

In the past, low-gluten hosts were distributed in individual pyxes brought to the sacristy by parishioners. Today, we use a specially designed low-gluten ciborium that attaches to the main ciborium used during Holy Communion. This arrangement helps prevent cross-contamination with the regular hosts while ensuring the reverent distribution of Holy Communion.

If you suffer from celiac disease or a gluten sensitivity, and are eligible to receive Holy Communion, please stop by the sacristy before Mass and inform the sacristan that you will need a low-gluten host. When you come forward for Communion, you may gently remind the priest that you are receiving a low-gluten host. You may also find it helpful to be either first or last in the Communion line.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY ORDAINED PRIESTS



Last Saturday, June 20th, Bishop Barres ordained three new priests: Fr. Patrick O’Brien, Fr. Dillon Vita, Fr. Nicholas Waldron. Please pray for them as they begin their new priestly journey in our Diocese. May the Holy Spirit guide and direct them and keep them close to the hearts of Jesus and Mary.

Happy Summer, everyone! Be safe, remember to pray, attend Sunday Mass, and enjoy this beautiful season. May God bless you, and may Mary keep you and your families always!

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

Fr. Jim



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2026

We are very proud of your achievements!
May success always follow you!



Congratulations to our Kellenberg Memorial High School Graduates

Lucy A Carey
Daniel Cedric Clarke
Sofia Olivia Cossu
Jayden A Diaz
Alison Mary Ann
Fennes
Collin X Fitzgerald
James L Florio
Julia Michelle Florio
Luke Franolic

Michael Andrew Illiano
Peter Martin Lamoreaux
Carmine V Masaracchia
Aidan Joseph Masse
Emma Grace Rose
James Patrick Russo
John Ajiebo Ventrudo
John August Ward
Jake Aaron Zaslow



Congratulations to our Graduates of Our Lady of Lourdes School

Our Graduates will be attending...

Chaminade H.S.

Mason Diaz
Andrew Glassing
Mauricio Guzman
Jameson Hintze
Josiah Jean-Baptiste
John Kutch
Duggan McKeon
Christopher Miro
Michael Morgan
Adrian Robles

Holy Trinity Diocesan H.S.

Gavin Rose

Kellenberg Memorial H.S.

Caleb Bacchus
Jack DelPezzo
Ryker Hanke
Clara Lang
Mae Lawler
John Loeffler
Brandon Niedermyer
Keira Regan

Sophia Shaheen
Melody Spring
Timothy Sullivan
Molly Suttmiller

L.I. Lutheran H.S.

Franco Rosado

Regis H.S.

Joseph Rienzi

Sacred Heart Academy

Mea Barton
Cate Darcy

Bridget Dubon

Caitlin Egan

Shannon Egan

Juliana Herman

Meghan Sussman

St. Anthony's H.S.

Noelle McCarthy

St. Francis Preparatory H.S.

Annamaria Agopian

St. Mary's H.S.

Kennedy Pena



Jacqueline Carbone

Graduated from John Jay College with a Masters in Forensics and Mental Health Counseling

Gabriella Filakovsky

Graduated Sacred Heart Academy attending Long Island University

Victoria Filakovsky

Graduated Sacred Heart Academy attending West Virginia University Statler College of Engineering

Kayla Prizzi

Graduated Sacred Heart Academy attending Fashion Institute of Technology

Mass Schedule

Monday through Saturday
9:00 am and live-streamed

Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am,
10:30 am ~ live-streamed
12:00 pm, 5:00 pm

Confession

Saturday ~ 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

65 Wright Avenue, Malverne, NY

Pastor: Rev. James T. Stachacz
(516) 599-1269 ~ Fax: (516) 231-6750
fatherjim@ollchurchmalverne.org

Parish Website: www.OLLChurchMalverne.org

Church Hours: 8:00 am to 2:45 pm

Parish Center: Kelly Lackner, Administrative Assistant
rectoryoffice@ollchurchmalverne.org

Jennifer Prizzi, Business Manager
jenniferprizzi@ollchurchmalverne.org
(516) 599-1269

Parish Center Office Hours:

Monday to Friday:
9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday and Wednesday 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Parish Trustees: Michael Hannan and Lorraine Korth Smith

Music Ministry Team:

Stephen Harth, and Christine Solimeno
sharth5620@ollmalverne.org

Youth Director: Linda Baldacchino

Maintenance: Kevin Dieck
Rocco Bruzzese

Religious Education:

Mary Lasar, Director
ollreled@gmail.com
Marybeth Malone, Secretary
(516) 599-7222

Religious Education Office Hours

Monday to Friday: 9:30 am to 3:15 pm ~ Parish Center
Tuesday & Wednesday: 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm ~ School
Saturday: 9:30 am to 10:30 am ~ School

School Office

Stephen Harth, Principal ~ sharth5620@ollmalverne.org
Lisa LoGrande, Administrative Assistant
(516) 599-7328 ~ Fax: (516) 231-1440
www.OLLMalverne.org

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 27th ~ Weekday

5:00 pm Paul Mamounis (d)

Sunday, June 28th ~ Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am Matthew and Lora Klein (d)
9:00 am Father's Day Novena
10:30 am For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
12:00 pm Glenn Meyran (d)
Dolores Lavelli (d)
Theresa Chiafari (d)
Nancy Cafferty (d)
Olga D'Aulisa (d)
5:00 pm Zdenko Pavlovic (d)

Monday, June 29th ~ Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

9:00 am Father's Day Novena

Tuesday, June 30th ~ Weekday

9:00 am The Living Intentions of Laura Loehle

Wednesday, July 1st ~ Weekday

9:00 am Rose Ciasulli for her Birthday in Heaven

Thursday, July 2nd ~ Weekday

9:00 am Eileen Herzich (d)

Friday, July 3rd ~ Saint Thomas, Apostle

9:00 am Bentz Philemy (d)
8:00 pm First Friday Adoration

Saturday, July 4th ~ Weekday

9:00 am Peggy Hannan (d)
Conversion of Political Leaders to the Culture
of Life
Raymond Russo (d)
For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
5:00 pm

Sunday, July 5th ~ Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am Raymond and Joan Pietrasinski (d)
9:00 am For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
10:30 am David Mason (d)
12:00 pm Joan Fraissinet (d)
Joseph Laxton (d)
Al Andrews (d)
For the Living Intentions of Sagine and Luigi
Morency
Joseph Anthony Albergo on his 10th
Anniversary in Heaven
Kurt M. Werber on his birthday and 2nd
Anniversary in Heaven
5:00 pm Maura Maier (d)

LIVE STREAMED SERVICES

May be accessed on the following platforms:

www.ollchurchmalverne.org
www.facebook.com/OLLMALVERNE/
www.youtube.com/@OurLadyofLourdesMalverne

St. Vincent de Paul Society



In today's Gospel hear Jesus tell us: "Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple—Amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward."

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to "acknowledge the goodness of the Father" by assisting families, providing food, and assistance with utility and rent bills.

Pantry Hours

Tuesday and Friday mornings 9:45 am - 11:45 am.

Thursday evenings 6:00 - 7:30 pm.

Please contact us at
rectoryoffice@ollchurchmalverne.org
or call (516) 599-1269

Needed in the Food Pantry

Rice-A-Roni, Cannellini Beans, Baked Beans,
Chili, Cereal, & Oatmeal

Please place donations inside the box, located in the Elevator Lobby—ground level.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN - as of Sunday, June 21, 2026

Pledge Goal **\$2,000,000**

Pledge Amount: **\$2,161,346**

Redemption Collected **\$865,479**

Fiat Update: We are excited to share an update on the progress of our Capital Campaign, Echoing Mary's Fiat Through Generations. Thanks to your continued generosity and support, we are moving forward with several important parish improvement projects.

At this time, we are awaiting proposals for the replacement of the parish boilers, the reconstruction of the Parish Center front steps, and enhanced security measures for the church.

In addition, we have begun initial discussions regarding air conditioning improvements for our school building.

We are grateful for the tremendous support of our parish community and will continue to keep you updated as these projects progress. Thank you for helping us strengthen and preserve Our Lady of Lourdes Parish for future generations.



Parish Center Summer Hours

As of May 28 the Parish Center Hours are as follows:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Monday and Wednesday: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Closed Monday - Friday 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

(Closed Sunday)

WEEKLY OFFERINGS - Sunday, June 21, 2026

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Weekly Collection	\$18,000	\$16,221
Year to Date OLL Fiscal Year	\$756,000	\$803,685

Budget and Actual comprises envelopes, cash, online giving and second collections for Our Lady of Lourdes.

Diocese of Rockville Centre

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2026 Parish Totals

Goal: \$78,750.00 ~ Pledges: \$43,078.62

Donors: 91 ~ Payments: \$36,473.12

Supporting Our Parish

In these challenging times, special gratitude is expressed to those who are able to support Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.



Ways to Give

In Person: At Mass during the collection or dropped off at the Parish Center.



By Mail: Mail to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 65 Wright Avenue, Malverne, NY 11565



Online: Using Pushpay for fast & secure contributions, visit:
www.ollchurchmalverne.org/donate





2026 Events
Christmas in July

Sing-A-Long

Wear Your Favorite Christmas T-Shirt
Sunday, July 12 – 1:00 pm
 Church Hall

BOUTIQUE (THRIFT SHOP) NEWS!

Hours of Operation

Closed for the Summer.

To arrange a drop off or pickup, please call the Parish Center at 516-599-1269.

All Rosary Altar Society Members

As a group, please try to attend 10:30 am Mass on the first Sunday of each month. The first few rows by the Blessed Mother Statue will be roped off.

"Religion and Rock"

Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7:00 am—8:00 am on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 FM on Long Island's East End. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00 pm on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00 pm on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday's theme is "Having a Positive Attitude" Don't miss it!



Pray for Priests



God, our Father, please send us holy priests, all for the Sacred and Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, all for the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, in union with St. Joseph. We pray that the Blessed Mother wraps her mantle around your priests, and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry. We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words, "Do whatever He tells you." (Jn 2:5) May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of Your love, seeking nothing but Your greater glory and the salvation of souls. Amen.

Sunday	<i>Rev. Rejimon Benedict</i>
Monday	<i>Rev. Joseph Noble</i>
Tuesday	<i>Rev. Abin Panicker</i>
Wednesday	<i>Rev. Dave Atanasio</i>
Thursday	<i>Rev. Freddy Lozano</i>
Friday	<i>Rev. Rick Figliozzi</i>
Saturday	<i>All Priests and Deacons</i>



First Friday Evening Devotions

July 3, 2026 ~ 8:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Prayer Hour for Life

The Real Presence of Christ is the gift He gave us at the Last Supper, and when we come to church, we are truly in the presence of our God, our Creator and our Redeemer.

On the First Friday of each month, we gather before our Eucharistic Lord to pray that the culture of life will prevail over the culture of death, that respect for all human life from conception to natural death will be restored in the hearts and minds of all God's children.

Please join us for a Holy Hour of prayer before Jesus in the Eucharist on the First Friday of each month from 8:00 pm to 9:00 pm. It may be a sacrifice to set aside this time, but time spent in the presence of the Lord is its own reward.

Nocturnal Adoration

The Nocturnal Society meets on the first Friday of every month to spend one hour before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Even though the first Friday this month is the beginning of summer, we still meet this Friday. This adoration is for all of you. We are in need of God's blessings in our lives, our parish, our country. We invite everyone to join us. What better way to begin the summer than to pray as a parish family.

This Friday, July 3rd, come to Church from 9pm to 10pm and join us in prayer.

Jesus will be there — will you?

Bulletin Reflection

Today's readings remind us that being a Christian is a commitment. We are called to leave behind sinful habits, pick up our cross and follow Jesus.

Pro Life Corner

Compassion is the foundation of the pro-life cause. The best way to make the world a better place is to let every child live.

Wedding Banns

Banns III

Kevin Paul ~ St. Helen

Westfield, NJ

and

Patricia Clausen ~ St. Mary of the Isle

Long Beach, NY

Reflection for Next Sunday

July 5, 2026

First Reading: *Zechariah 9:9-10*

Second Reading: *Romans 8:9,11-13*

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 11:25-30*

Jesus prays in thanks to God, who has revealed himself to the lowly.

Family Connection

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches an important lesson for families: from the youngest and simplest among us we can learn the most profound insights about God. Parents who are attentive to this reality can learn much from their children even as their children are learning from them. Families who create time and space for encounters with God will enrich the faith of all who share in family life.

Gather as a family and read together today's Gospel, Matthew 11:25-30. Allow time for each person to reflect on what Jesus reveals to us about God. Invite each person to show these things in a creative way, perhaps through a picture, poem, or some other means. Share these with one another. Conclude in prayer together, thanking Jesus for making God known to us. Pray together the Lord's Prayer or today's Psalm, Psalm 145.

Altar Server Schedule

July 4th & July 5th

<u>Saturday:</u>	5:00 pm:	Abigail Hassett John Hassett III
<u>Sunday:</u>	7:30 am:	Meghan Sussman AnnMarie Sussman
	9:00 am:	Hayden Kunz Clara Lang
	10:30 am:	Duggan McKeon Luke McKeon
	12:00 pm:	Andie Fage Scarlet Heine
	5:00 pm:	Daniel Baldacchino Julie Baldacchino Maura Baldacchino

Parish Mission Statement

We, the parish family of Our Lady of Lourdes, are a faith-filled people who welcome all to join us as we listen to the Word of God and celebrate the Eucharist together. We encourage each other to grow in Christ as we use our God-given gifts to serve the people of our community. Through the Holy Spirit we are inspired through our Patroness, Our Lady of Lourdes, and we strive to imitate her charity and love in making the will of God our own.



CHURCH OPENING TIMES

ALL ARE WELCOME

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

8 AM - 2:45 PM

SATURDAY

8 AM - 6 PM

SUNDAY

7 AM - 6 PM

THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH

Monday, June 29th

9:30 am.....Legion of Mary..... Parish Center Room #2
9:30 am.....Camp Lourdes..... Church Hall

Tuesday, June 30th

9:30 am.....SVDP Parish Center Room #2
9:30 am.....Camp Lourdes..... Church Hall
1:30 pmPrayer Group/Scripture Study...Parish Center Dining Room
7:00 pmCoDAParish Center Dining Room
7:00 pmBoy Scout Troop 24 Church Hall

Wednesday, July 1st

9:30 am.....Camp Lourdes..... Church Hall
7:00 pmPrayer Group..... Parish Center Room #2
7:00 pmAAParish Center Dining Room
7:15 pmGRASP Church Hall

Thursday, July 2nd

9:30 am.....Camp Lourdes..... Church Hall

Friday, July 3rd

Parish Center Closed in Observance of July 4th

9:30 am.....SVDP Parish Center Room #2
7:00 pmAAParish Center Dining Room
8:00 pmFirst Friday Adoration..... Church

Saturday, July 4th

Parish Center closed in Observance of July 4th

4:00 pmConfessions Church
7:00 pmAAParish Center Dining Room

Sunday, July 5th

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday of each month at 8 pm by the Human Life Committee and the Nocturnal Adoration Society ending with Benediction at 10:00 pm

Second Thursday of each month from Noon until Benediction at 4:45 pm.

Rosary: Each day beginning at 8:30 am in the Church.

In your prayers please remember the sick and hospitalized members of our parish

Baby Henry	Morgan Rourke Lee
Baby Sean	Jennifer Kenny
Baby Violette	Sue Kielson
John Barry	Dorothea Kreppein
Carolyn Biondo	Baby Leonardo
John Bivona	Shannon Loeven
Maria Capper	Speranza Marmo
Glenn Carbone	Michael Malone
Lucia Cimino-Gambino	Joseph Manno
Richard Clarkson	Pat Mantel
Francesca Medoro	Gerri Matulich
Consolazio	Geraldine McKenna
Grayson Danielski	Paolo Miceli
Cheryl Dean	Emily Parini
Dina Dean	Frank Pawlowski
Stanley Durant	Carol Reisenger
Luba Egan	Kenneth Rick
Alix Etheart	Dot Rotondi
Anthony J. Falke	John Rotondi
Barbara Fumai	Marie Sanderson
Nicholas Gibbons	Thomas Scudero
Deacon John Governale	Anne Skrzypinki
Richard Governale	Teresa Spyntiuk
Gerri Graetzer	Vincent Troiano
Michael Haines	Anthony Virgadamo
Peter Hellers	Bill Vogric
Justin Hosman	Yvonne Jones Williams

The names will remain for six consecutive weeks unless the Parish Office is notified.



The Parish Center will be
closed on Friday, July 3 and Saturday, July 4
in Observance of Independence Day.
We wish you all a safe and Happy Holiday!

Knights of Columbus
St. Mary's / Maris Stella Council #2228



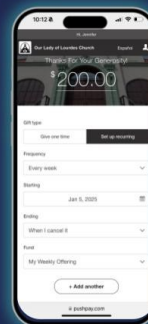
*We are inviting all men of our Parish
to join our Order.*

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Contact Grandknight@lynbrookkofc.com*



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*The Tabernacle Flowers have been donated
in Loving Memory of*

Teresa Prendergast

*Requested by
Prendergast Family*



*The Flowers by the Blessed Mother Statue
have been donated in Loving Memory of*

***Rose Ciasulli on her 2nd birthday in
Heaven. Always in our hearts.***

*Requested by
Her Children and Grandchildren*



*The Sanctuary Lamp has been donated
in Memory of*

Michael Casamassima

*Requested by
Lynn, Frank, Donna and Family*



*The Altar Bread has been donated
in Loving Memory of*

***Anthony Greco on his
Heavenly Birthday***

*Requested by
Lorraine and Children*



*The Altar Wine has been donated
in Loving Memory of*

***Anthony Greco on his
Heavenly Birthday***

*Requested by
Lorraine and Children*



**Our Parishioners
Serving in the Military**

Please keep all our Military and
Support Personnel in your prayers, especially:

United States Navy

LT Geoff Hendrick
LCDR Ryan Patrick Mahon
LCDR Tara Mahoney
CDR Andrew E. Glassing

United States Army

Spec Lotachukwu Okoye
Spec Tucker Andrew Peterson
1st LT Katherine L. Macaluso
Sgt. Christopher W. Dean, Jr.
SSG Matthew Takojeff

United States Air Force

1st Lt. William F. Cosgrove

United States Marine Corps

LCpl Kristofer Katzenberger
LT Sam Olive
Cpl Joseph M. Macaluso

United States Coast Guard

Ensign Maureen Joyce Sussman

*“Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as
they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless
acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the
name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen.”*

**Please let us know if any of our Military and Support Person-
nel have returned home safely, so that we may update our
prayer list.**

BULLETIN DEADLINES

Parish organizations wishing to submit notices for the bulletin
should send items at least 7 days prior to the bulletin’s
publication date (the deadline is Monday at 11:00 a.m.). Any
submissions received after the deadline may be held for the
following week’s bulletin. Please email items to:
rectoryoffice@ollchurchmalverne.org.

***A donation to our church is a beautiful way to
remember, honor or give thanks for loved ones.***

Church Flowers:

Altar Flowers: \$100 Tabernacle Flowers: \$120 for 2
Flowers by Blessed Mother Statue: \$60
Flowers by St. Joseph Statue: \$60

Memorials

Altar Bread: \$25 ~ Altar Wine: \$25
Sanctuary Lamp: \$25

An acknowledgement of your donation
will appear in the Sunday bulletin.

No flowers during the Advent and
Lenten seasons.

Memorials available throughout the year. Please come to
the Parish Center to make arrangements.



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Principal's Message



As the final days of the 2025–2026 school year come to a close, I find myself reflecting with a heart full of gratitude for the many ways God has blessed our Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School community. A school year is much more than a collection of lessons taught, assignments completed, or events celebrated. It is a journey of faith, growth, and transformation—a journey that reminds us daily of God's presence among us.

When we welcomed our students through our doors in September, each child arrived carrying unique gifts, talents, challenges, and dreams. As I look back now, I see how much they have grown academically, spiritually, and socially. I see children who have become more confident learners, more compassionate friends, and stronger disciples of Christ.

St. John Paul II once said, "The future starts today, not tomorrow." Throughout this year, our students have embraced that challenge. In their classrooms, they have learned to persevere through difficult tasks, celebrate successes, and continue striving toward excellence. Through the dedication of our faculty and staff, students have been encouraged not simply to learn facts, but to discover the gifts God has given them and to use those gifts for the good of others.

Yet the true measure of a Catholic school extends beyond academic achievement. It is found in the moments when faith comes alive. It is found in the prayers offered each morning, the reverence shown at Mass, the acts of kindness shared among classmates, and the willingness to see Christ in one another.

Throughout this year, we have gathered as a community around the altar week after week, answering Bishop Barres' call to make the Eucharist the center of our school life. In doing so, we have been reminded of Jesus' words:

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." (Matthew 19:14)

Those words serve as a constant reminder of our mission. Every child entrusted to our care is a gift from God, created in His image and loved beyond measure. Our responsibility as Catholic educators and parents is not only to teach our children but to help them recognize God's presence in their lives and to understand that they have a purpose in His plan.

This year, we have celebrated many milestones—graduations, moving-up ceremonies, concerts, athletic accomplishments, academic successes, and countless moments that often go unnoticed but speak volumes about the character of our students. We have also supported one another through challenges and uncertainties. Through it all, our Lourdes family has remained rooted in faith, strengthened by prayer, and united in love.

I am deeply grateful for our extraordinary faculty, aides, staff, parents, parish community, PTL, Men's Club, School Board members, and volunteers. Your partnership and commitment create an environment where children can flourish. Together, we continue to build a community that reflects the love of Christ and the values of the Gospel.

As we enter the summer months, I encourage each of us to pause and recognize God's hand in the blessings of this past year. Take time to celebrate your children's accomplishments, cherish moments with family, and find opportunities to encounter Christ in the beauty of everyday life.

Pope Francis reminds us, "Education is an act of love; it is like giving life." Every day this year, our teachers, staff, and parents have lived that truth. Through your love, sacrifice, and dedication, you have helped shape not only minds but hearts.

As we look ahead with hope and excitement to the 2026–2027 school year, let us continue to hold close the message we strive to instill in every child who walks through our doors:

God made me. God loves me. God has a plan for me.

May we never forget that we are all works in progress, continually being shaped by God's grace. May the Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Lourdes, watch over our families during the summer months and guide us safely back together in the fall.

"For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope." (Jeremiah 29:11)

Stephen Harth

Principal



— 1 CORINTHIANS 1:9 —

Religious Education News

The Religious Education office will be closed beginning on July 1, 2026. If you need assistance during this time, please call the Parish Center at 516-599-1269 or email rectoryoffice@ollchurchmalverne.org

Registration for 2026-27 Religious Education

Re-Registration forms have been sent out to all families currently enrolled in our Religious Education Program. Current Registration fees are:

One Child: \$225.00

Two Children: \$360.00

Three or More: \$500.00

Registration for the 2026-2027 school year ends on June 30, 2026. Late registrations may be subject to an additional fee.

Beginning on July 1, 2026, latecomers will be accepted based upon the number of students in each grade level and if we have Catechists to cover the number of classes required.

CATECHISTS NEEDED:

In order to have a successful Religious Education Program we depend on the generosity of our Parish Community.

We are looking for volunteers to teach in our program for the upcoming year.


We offer classes on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and on Saturday mornings. You are almost sure to find a time that fits your schedule.

As you help our students learn our faith you will learn and grow as well.

Please consider giving just one hour a week to this most important ministry.

If you are a high school student and can find a partner, we would be delighted to have you "team teach" once a week.

Please call the Religious Education Office at (516) 599-7222.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish will be offering two eight-week support groups for those who have experienced the death of someone close to them within the last year.

**Thursdays 7:15 pm - 8:30 pm from
September 17th through November 12th**

**Saturdays 10:00 am - 11:15 am from
September 19th through November 14th**

The primary goal of the groups are to help participants understand the grief process, develop skills to manage their grief, and adjust to living in a world without their loved one. The groups are open to anyone who has lost a spouse or partner, parent, child, grandchild, sibling, or other loved one.

If you are interested in joining, please call the Parish Center at 516-599-1269 requesting that a registration form be mailed to you. Completed registration forms, along with a one-time registration fee of \$25 to cover the cost of materials and supplies used in the group, must be returned to the Parish Center by August 31, 2026.

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Sign up for a **FREE** family or individual photo shoot to be a part of OLL history in our 100th Anniversary Yearbook. All participants will receive a **FREE** copy of the yearbook when it's printed and a **FREE** 8x10 print!

Picture Dates (in the Church Hall):
July 16, July 17 & July 18

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Go to ucdir.com to sign up TODAY! 18 slots need to be filled for the photographer to come!

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Password: PHOTOS

OR contact the Parish Center!



Rosary Altar Society 2026 Year End Celebration!



Aloha to a wonderful year!

Our Rosary Altar Society Luau was filled with faith, friendship, laughter, and many blessed memories.



Mahalo to our wonderful 7th Grade Parents for transforming our church hall into a beautiful tropical paradise for the 8th Grade Dinner. Your creativity, talent, and hard work brought the spirit of aloha to life. Thank you for sharing your creation with the Rosary Altar Society.



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