

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION PARISH COMMUNITY

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 9, 2026



OUR STATEMENT OF MISSION

We, the people of Our Lady of the Visitation Church, inspired by Jesus' and Mary's example of openness to the will of God the Father and the Holy Spirit, desire to be faithful stewards of God's gifts to us; and believe our mission is: To understand the word of God through study; to become examples of Christ's love in the world by caring for one another through our communal sharing and service; and to celebrate our joy of understanding and caring through sacraments and prayer.

Everyone is welcome to become a member of our community of steward-disciples and to participate in our parish life and worship. Please take the time to register your family at the rectory office.

OUR STAFF

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VISITATION ACADEMY

For information Call the Rectory
Office

SACRAMENTS

The Eucharist

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:30, 10:30 am &
12:00 pm

Holy Day Masses: As announced in
bulletin

Weekdays: 7:00 & 8:45 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

Marriage

Arrangements should be made with
one of the priests one year before
the date of the wedding.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the rectory for a priest to
anoint anyone who is seriously ill.

Reconciliation

Celebrated on Saturdays from
4:00 - 4:30 pm, or by appointment

Baptism

Celebrated at 1:30 pm on the
second Sunday of each month.
Instructions for parents and
sponsors the prior week 1:30 pm
in the Rectory, first Sunday of
each month. Pre-registration at the
Rectory is necessary prior to
Baptism instruction.

*Welcome to our
Parish Community*

HIS WORD TODAY

Rev. William J. Reilly

“Then the Lord said to him, ‘Go outside and stand on the mountain before the Lord; the Lord will be passing by...but the Lord was not in the wind...but the Lord was not in the earthquake...but the Lord was not in fire...after that there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave.’... ‘Lord if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.’ He said, ‘Come.’”

How often do we see the Lord's hand being present in our lives, especially when we are in need. It seems to be the only way to describe the successful outcome to a threat or crisis. That is when extraordinary events occur. But what about the normal, daily occurrences which occur. The same Lord is present to support, guide and direct us, but we need to open both our eyes and hearts.

Maybe that is the tiny whispering sound we often overlook. Assume the role of Peter saying, ‘Lord if it is you. And he tells us to come. Our loving God is present in the ordinary as well as the extraordinary.’

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Please consider enrolling in electronic giving. For information, see the DONATE link on our website, www.olvparamus.org. Peter Emr is our online giving coordinator. If you are having difficulty contact him at peteremr2@verizon.net.

2026 ANNUAL APPEAL

Our goal for this year is \$52,906.06. As of now, we have received \$42,365. We are grateful for your generosity and rely on it because it helps support essential ministries and programs in our Archdiocese. Your support helps us accomplish across the Archdiocese what we would not be able to do alone. You can opt to make a one time gift or a pledge.

COMMUNITY BUILDING

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY: Holy Name Society 8:30am
Baptisms 1:30pm

TUESDAY: Centering Prayer 6:30pm

SATURDAY: Rosary 8:30am
Mass 9:00am
Miraculous Medal 9:30am

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INFORMATION
WWW.OLVPARAMUS.ORG**

FLYERS*FORMS*SCHEDULES

BULLETINS*UPCOMING EVENTS

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Articles for the Bulletin may be submitted to bulletin@olvparamus.org no later than 11:00am on the Monday prior to the Sunday you wish the item published.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Every family participating in the spiritual life of our parish is encouraged to register at the Rectory. Also, please inform us if you are moving.

FACEBOOK

Our Lady of the Visitation is now on Facebook. Please “like” our page to stay informed of what’s happening in our parish.

We pray for the sick of the parish, especially Desirie DeBari, Joan Gallina, Peter Jamgochian, Anna Krecki, Carol Lorenzo, Lynne McGarry, Zolio Magpantay, Karen Mahr, Amelia Martello, Paul Morra, Richard Wall, Paul Walter. Please call the Rectory with the name of any family member who is sick so we can include them on our prayer list.

We pray for our Emergency, Medical, First Responders, and Essential Workers



We Pray for the Men and Women in Service to Our Country:

Please email bulletin@olvparamus.org or call the Rectory, if you have a loved one serving in the armed forces of the United States.

EMPLOYMENT MINISTRY

Mark Anderson is available on Thursday nights. Please contact him by email at mark@talentbeacon.net.

LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION



The Lifelong Faith Formation Program at Our Lady of the Visitation Parish is an eight-year journey of growing in faith, designed for students in grades 1 through 8. This program is a cooperative effort between families and our parish community, working together to nurture our children's understanding and love of God.

Registration is open. For more information regarding our religious classes please contact Roberta at ccd@olvparamus.org or call the Rectory.

High school students looking to earn service hours or simply wanting to volunteer are invited to serve as class aides or hall monitors on Sunday mornings from 8:40am to 10:15am. If interested, please contact Charlene at cviger@olvparamus.org.

Catechists Needed for 6th & 7th Grade Faith Formation

Our Lady of the Visitation Lifelong Faith Formation is seeking volunteers to serve as Catechists for our 6th and 7th Grade classes. Catechists play an important role in helping our young people grow in their faith and relationship with Christ. No prior teaching experience is necessary—training, materials, and support will be provided.

If you have ever felt called to share your faith and make a difference in the lives of our parish youth, we invite you to prayerfully consider this ministry.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Charlene Viger at cviger@olvparamus.org. Thank you for supporting the faith formation of our parish children.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (FORMERLY RCIA)

If you have not received the sacraments in the Catholic Church or if you know anyone who is interested in receiving the sacraments in the Catholic Church, please call the Rectory Office or speak with Fr. Antonio, Fr. Prince, or Deacon Todd. God Bless You!

We remember in our prayers those who died in the month of July and pray for their families:

*Elaine Mandler
Catherine Condon*

We welcome into our community all who were baptized during the month of July and extend our congratulations to their families:

Connor William Bush

FROM GRIEF TO HOPE

Our Parish Bereavement Ministry meets every other **Thursday 7:00pm - 8:00pm** in the Rectory as follows: 8/20, Guilt.

If you would like to join us, call Carol Russell, 201-652-2549 or Blanca Diaz, 917-838-9524.

CENTERING PRAYER

The contemplative practice of meditation and prayer is available in the Zoom Meditation Chapel on **Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm**. You are encouraged to consider joining our group which is made up of parishioners and neighbors from near and far.

The Home page for the meditation chapel can be found at MeditationChapel.org. At the bottom of the home page is a link to the [Getting Started Page](#) that has the [Steps To Follow](#). Step 3 has the link to [Register as a Meditation Chapel User](#). This page contains the link to [The Mail Chimp Registration Page](#). There you will fill in the necessary information – email, name, meditation tradition, etc. Click [Subscribe](#) and in a brief period of time you will receive your link to the calendar. Look for us in the Thomas Keating Meditation Chapel. For further assistance with registering, please contact peteremr2@verizon.net or 201 259-0677. Gratefully + Peter

WORSHIP & SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT



Monday

2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday

Ez 2:8—3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday

Ez 9:1-7, 10:18-22; Mt 18:15-20

Thursday

Ez 12:1-12; Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday

Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday

Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab;
1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Sunday

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

The Lord wants all people to love and honor his name. He says that those who honor him by obeying all of his laws will be “made joyful in my house of prayer.”

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Paul describes his hopes that his fellow Jews will follow the example of the Gentiles he has been preaching to. He claims that just as God has mercy for their disobedience, he wishes to show mercy to the Jews as well.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

A Canaanite woman begged Jesus to help her daughter, who was being plagued by a demon. Jesus at first refused her and said that “My mission is only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” The woman was so persistent that Jesus said she had great faith and then he healed her daughter.



Saturday, August 8

5:00pm Melinda & Francis Sequeira

Sunday, August 9

8:30am Holy Name Society
10:30am Barbara Teresiak
12:00pm Roberto & Imelda Reyes (L)

Monday, August 10

7:00am Rustica Aguilar
8:45am Matthew Joseph

Tuesday, August 11

7:00am Rustica Aguilar
8:45am Novena Mass

Wednesday, August 12

7:00am Rustica Aguilar
8:45am Helen Higley

Thursday, August 13

7:00am Novena Mass
8:45am Virgilio Aala

Friday, August 14

7:00am Mary Camerlingo
8:45am Fernando Aala

Saturday, August 15

9:00am Elaine Mandler
5:00pm Michele Teresa Manocchio

Sunday, August 16

8:30am John Slota
10:30am Dominador Dispo
12:00pm John Ferrara

AUGUST NOVENA MASSES

Tuesday, August 11.....8:45am
Thursday, August 137:00am
Wednesday, August 19.....7:00am
Friday, August 218:45am
Wednesday, August 26.....7:00am
Thursday, August 278:45am
Monday, August 31.....7:00am

AUGUST NOVENA MASS INTENTIONS

Emil J. Lovas	Anna Lovas
Julius Ciulla	James P. McMahon
Francis J. Casey	Vincent & Ceil Casey
Luz Timapuri	James Rogers, Sr.
James Rogers, Jr.	Robert Rogers
Ariana Rogers	Robert Spitzer (L)

***GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE
HIS ONLY SON TO SAVE US. PLEASE LET US LOVE
GOD BY PARTICIPATING IN THE MASS FROM THE
BEGINNING TO THE END. THE MASS STARTS
WITH “IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF
THE SON...” AND FINISHES WITH THE BLESSING,
“IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE
SON...”***



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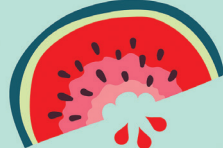
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