



SEPTEMBER 26-27, 2026

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS

Do Not Be Alarmed — Persevere in Hope



EVEN WHAT SEEMS PERMANENT CAN CHANGE.

Jesus tells His disciples that even the great Temple, something that looked permanent and unshakable, would one day fall. It reminds us that buildings, success, money, plans, and even our comfortable routines can change quickly.



JESUS TELLS US: "DO NOT BE ALARMED."

We will hear about wars, troubles, earthquakes, and suffering. But Jesus does not tell us to panic. He tells us to stay steady and keep the faith, no matter what we see in the world.



OUR SECURITY IS NOT IN YOUR PLANS, BUT IN CHRIST.

Our security is not in technology, buildings, money, or everything going according to our plan. Our security is in Christ.



IN HARD TIMES WE ARE CALLED TO LOVE MORE.

When life becomes difficult, this is when Christians are called to love more, pray more, forgive more, and serve more.

Sometimes the Wi-Fi goes down for five minutes, and suddenly the whole family discovers what suffering really means!



FAITH IS REVEALED IN THE STORM.

Faith is not proven only when everything is easy. Faith is revealed when the storm comes and we still say, "Lord, I trust You."

So whatever happens around us, we keep walking, we keep serving, and we keep loving.

Everything around us may change, but Jesus Christ remains the same.

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MYSTERY OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION: Confession is available before and after Liturgies on Saturday and Sunday, and by appointment during the week.

BAPTISM & CHRISMATION: Arrangements for these Mysteries may be preceded by instructional classes for Parents & Sponsors. The Parents themselves should contact the office. Both sponsors must be Catholic and must be 18 years of age or older. Sponsorship Forms are required for sponsors.

MARRIAGES: The couple should contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance and before any other arrangements or commitments are made. No weddings outside of the parish.

FUNERALS: Please contact the Pastor or Parish Office before making any arrangements. The Pastor must be consulted to set times for Prayer Services and Funeral Liturgies. We will celebrate ALL Funeral Liturgies here at the Church.

Liturgy Times & Intentions: September 26-October 4, 2026

Second Sunday after Holy Cross

Sat	Sept 26	4:00PM	John	Soul of Chaz Joseph	Dick & Shirley Kail
Sun	Sept 27	8:30AM	Vincent de Paul	Soul of Bonny Lou Joseph	Ronna George
		11:00AM		Soul of Youssef Chahine	The Pastor
Mon	Sept 28			No Liturgy	
Tues	Sept 29	5:30PM		Rosary	
		6:00PM	Romanos	Soul of Linda Anderson	Michelle Underwood
Weds	Sept 30	5:30PM		Rosary	
		6:00PM	Gregory	Soul of Mary Lou Wade	Family
Thurs	Oct 1	5:30PM		Rosary	
		6:00PM	Therese	Soul of Norman C. Mahfood	The Pastor
Fri	Oct 2	5:30PM		Rosary	
		6:00PM	Cyprian	Sarkis & Thomas Families	Sadie Thomas

Third Sunday after Holy Cross

Sat	Oct 3	4:00PM	Dionysius	Souls of Peter & Mae Anthony	Family
Sun	Oct 4	8:30AM	Francis	Soul of Isabelle Arduini	The Pastor
		11:00AM		Soul of Nellie Davis	Barack Family
				Soul of Rachid Jabra	Family

If you would like to schedule a liturgy intention, please call the office (412-278-0841).

Our collections are as follows:

September 26 & 27, 2026
Weekly Offering

October 3 & 4, 2026
Weekly Offering
& Church Fund



September 2026	6-Sep	13-Sep	20-Sep	Total
Collection	\$2,621	\$1,613	\$1,675	\$5,909
Mail Collection	\$1,145	\$120	\$645	\$1,910
Online Giving	\$95	\$175	\$375	\$645
Candles	\$50	\$69	\$27	\$146
Catholic University	\$0	\$275	\$110	\$385
Hall Rental	\$0	\$0	\$200	\$200
Church Fund	\$260	\$50	\$0	\$310
Total	\$4,171	\$2,302	\$3,032	\$9,505
Expenses	-\$686	-\$3,198	-\$8,323	-\$12,207
Balance	\$3,485	-\$896	-\$5,291	-\$2,702

DONATE ONLINE

Consider using our online giving tool. Go to our website- OLOVPGH.ORG and set up recurrent payments or make a one-time gift.

THANK YOU!

PARISH REGISTRATION

New Parishioners are asked to register as are newlyweds and single young adults, even if registered previously with their families. Please call the office for a registration form. Forms are also available in the church vestibule.

EMAIL PROBLEM

We continue to experience difficulties in sending emails to those with "comcast.net" email addresses. According to the information provided by Outlook, the only means to correct this problem is to contact Comcast directly as only the recipient's email admin can fix this.

Thank you.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Please keep in your prayers: Chuck Borik, Michael Rattie, Alicia Hruby, Helen McGoun, Dr. Adnan Abila, Ashley Ayoob, David Ingrid Franklin, Faten Faifat, Franice Pattinato, Helen Mierski, Rebecca Rodgers, Patty Doerzbacker, Anna Marie Mecca, Ken Kovach, Frank Joseph, Alex Joseph, Rosemary Thomas Hartman, Celeste Cancilla, Stephanie Vail, James Brocato, Dalal Romah, Isaac Simon, Sue Cravens, Kim B., Chrissy Coury, Logan Gump, Darius Xavier Collins, Melissa Rodriguez, Amanda Marie, Matthew James Rendell, Jadon Michael, Jean Westerman, Attila Shumaker, Timmy Droege, Denise Mytiva Mastro, Kate Jacobs, Vincent Scully, Valerie Bonner, John Kavulic, Jaime Perrucci, Kattie Fitzpatrick, Lyuva Lazovski, Barbara Routh Cappy, Josephine, Veronica Moore, Fadaa Sadaka, Grace Kaduck, Traci Orr, Hampartsoum Nazarian, Mary Elizabeth Leonard, John Bauer, James Routh Cappy, and all who are in need of our prayers.

Scripture Readings

2nd Sunday after Holy Cross **(September 26 & 27, 2026)**

Joel 2:1, 10-13, 15-16a
1 Cor 15:19-34 Mt 24:1-14

3rd Sunday after Holy Cross **(October 3 & 4, 2026)**

Dan 7:9-14
Phil 3:17-4:1 Mt 24:23-31

*All Readings are taken from the NRSVCE.
All Gospel Readings are taken from the
Revised Edition of the New American Bible*

HELP FOR THE NEEDY

We will be making lunches on
Saturday, October 24, 2026.
The lunches are delivered to
Second Avenue Commons.

We are collecting new, unused personal
hygiene items. There's a basket in the church
vestibule for you to place your donations.
Thank you!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Our Veterans Day Celebration will be on
Saturday, November 7, 2026.
Details to follow.



Month of September 2026

Altar Bread Wine

In loving memory of Rick A. Zacour
requested by Ronna George.

Month of October 2026

Altar Bread Wine

In loving memory of the Kail Family
requested by Family.

Sanctuary Lamps

In loving memory of the Kail Family
requested by Family.



**Altar Bread & Wine or Sanctuary Lamps
can be sponsored for a donation of \$25.**



CASH BASH

at

Our Lady of Victory Maronite Catholic Church
at St. Pamphilus

Saturday, October 17, 2026
Victory Hall

Doors open at 5:00 p.m. First drawing at 6 p.m.

-- Only 300 tickets to be SOLD --

\$40 per ticket *in advance* or \$45 per ticket *at the door* (if still available);

Tickets can be purchased by cash, check or credit card

All proceeds benefit Our Lady of Victory Maronite Catholic Church

Must be Age 21 or older to attend

- Tickets can be purchased by calling the Church Office at (412) 278-0841
- Over \$4,000 in cash prizes to be given away
- Cash drawings **every 15 minutes** from 6 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Winner **MUST** be present to win 1st drawing of \$500; need not be present for other drawings.
- **GRAND PRIZE** of \$1,500.00 at 9:00 p.m.
- Raffles, Games of Chance & more!
- All unsold tickets remain the property of Our Lady of Victory.
- Food, Pop & Beer provided -or- BYOB
- Menu: Hot Sausage Sandwiches, Fried Chicken, Macaroni Salad, Pasta Salad, Veggie Pizza, Cake



Same God
Always
with Us!

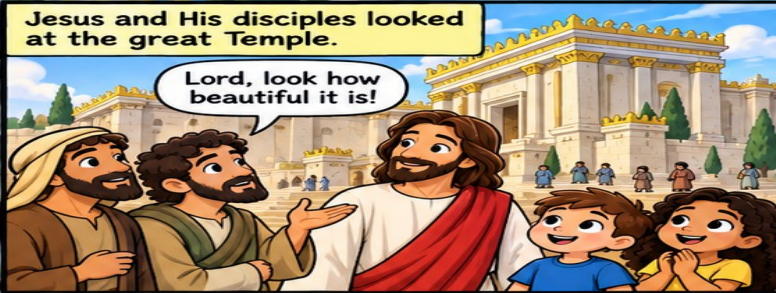
Jesus Tells Us: Don't Be Alarmed!

A children's comic based on Matthew 24:1-14

Faith
Today
A Brighter
Tomorrow!

Jesus and His disciples looked at the great Temple.

Lord, look how beautiful it is!



But Jesus reminded them that even great buildings do not last forever.

One day, these stones will fall.



Jesus teaches us that buildings, money, plans, and even our routines can change.



Sometimes the world feels full of trouble.



Jesus does not want us to panic. He wants us to trust Him.

Do not be alarmed.



HIS LOVE TODAY
TOMORROW
AND ALWAYS

A MORE HOPEFUL WORLD STARTS WITH JESUS!

MATTHEW 24:1-14



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Same God
Always
with Us!

Keep Trusting Jesus!

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A MORE HOPEFUL
WORLD
WITH JESUS!

Faith
Today
A Brighter
Tomorrow!

Sometimes little problems can feel very big!

The Wi-Fi is down!
Is this the end
of the world?

Now we know
what real suffering
looks like!



Jesus teaches us not to let problems make our hearts cold.

When life gets hard,
love more.



Hard times are when Christians shine.

Pray More

Talk to
God about
everything!

Forgive More

Choose
kindness
even when
it's hard.

Serve More

Look for
ways to
help
others.

Love More

Be a friend
to someone
who feels
alone.



Faith is revealed when the storm comes.

Even in
the storm,
we can say...

**Lord,
I trust You!**



Jesus promises that perseverance leads us to salvation.

**The one who
perseveres to the end
will be saved.**
Matthew 24:13



Everything around us may change, but Jesus never changes!

Everything
around us
may change...

...but Jesus
never leaves us!

**Jesus Christ is the same
yesterday, today, and forever.**
Hebrews 13:8



HIS LOVE TODAY
TOMORROW
AND ALWAYS

A MORE HOPEFUL WORLD STARTS WITH JESUS!

SAME JOURNEY
BRIGHTER DAYS
WITH JESUS!