

Our Lady of Victories Church

(serving Harrington Park, River Vale and the Pascack/Northern Valley)

150 Harriot Avenue, Harrington Park, New Jersey

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SPECIAL MASSES OR DEVOTIONS:

First Friday: 7:30pm, Mass of Sacred Heart & Devotions

First Saturday: 8:00am, Mass of Immaculate Heart of Mary

First Saturday: 12:00pm Mass for Souls in Purgatory

Sundays: at 3PM Group Rosary

Novenas prayed after 8:00 a.m. Mass:

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Monday

St. Jude and St. Anthony: Wednesday

Infant of Prague: 25th of the month

Rosary: Recited M - Sat after 8:00am & 12Noon Mass.

Tuesday-Novena Prayer and Adoration: 2:00-3:00pm

Thursday-Holy Hour with Adoration & Benediction: 7:00pm

Friday-Exposition & Adoration: 12:30PM-3:00pm

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/CONFESSION:

Monday - Friday 7:30am - 7:50am. First Friday at 7:00pm

Saturday at 11:00a.m.-Noon; 3:00pm - 3:25pm

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

To register for Baptismal preparation and Baptism, call the rectory.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

Call the Religious Ed Office for requirements/class schedule.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Please call the rectory for an appointment.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/LAST RITES:

Sick calls at any time in emergency.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS AND VOCATIONS:

Anyone contemplating a vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life should contact the Vocations Office at 973.497.4365.

SUNDAY, July 10, 2016 A.D.



WELCOME

To the Parish Family of
OUR LADY OF VICTORIES
(THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH THE BIG HEART)

COME WORSHIP WITH US

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm, 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 8:15am (Latin)

9:30am, 10:45am, 12:00pm,

1:00pm (Spanish)

6:00pm & 7:00pm

Weekdays: M-Sat 8:00a.m. & 12:00noon



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PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please **PRAY** in the name of **JESUS**, the Healer, that the **SICK** of **OLV PARISH** may be restored to health and all those who **ASSIST** and **CARE** for the sick will be given the **STRENGTH** to continue **GOD'S GOOD WILL**: Br. Pius, Joseph Accardi, Maria Aleman, William Biasi, Terry Boyle, Michael Conmy, Kamal Faris, Thomas Haring, Peter Kellar, Arnold Kemner, Teresa Meierdierks, Ken Mosier, Kathleen Musante, Dan Ragusa, Mary Rinner, Danny Rizzi, Ginny Romeo, Suzanne Rothschild, Wendy Ruggiero, Cookie and George Rush, Cynthia Simonelli, Mildred Speck, Kathryn Turrell, Therese Vaglio, Jim Walsh, Darien Wesler, Al Wiese, Marian Zanetti, Elaine Zito.

SPIRITUAL EXCERPT

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"Eucharistic adoration is the closest we can come on earth to the Beatific vision: "God with us": Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. What a grace and blessing that awaits each and every one of us. Come and rest awhile to visit your loving Father, bringing Him comfort, spend some time. He desires your intimacy. He waits so patiently, day and night, for all of His children to come and visit. Give Him the quality and the quantity He so richly deserves." "The worship given to the Trinity of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ... must fill our churches also outside the timetable of Masses ... This worship must be prominent in all our encounters with the Blessed Sacrament ... Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith and ready to make reparation for the great faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease." **Pope St. John Paul II**

Jesus asked one thing from us!!!

On His last night of earth (Holy Thursday) Jesus asked His disciples one thing – to stay awake with Him for one hour. Every Thursday evening we at OLV try to fulfill this request by having a Holy Hour from 7-8PM. Join us in carrying out Jesus' request.

QUESTION?

What is a Brown Scapular and what is the Sabbatine Privilege? The Brown Scapular was given to the Prior General of the Carmelite Order, St. Simon Stock, at a crucial period in the Order's history. Tradition tells us that the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to St. Simon at Aylesford, England, in 1251, holding out to him the Brown Scapular and making the "great promise," "This shall be a sign for you and for Carmelites. Whoever dies in this shall not suffer eternal fire." The Church's understanding is that the scapular is a miniature religious habit and as such is a highly indulgenced sacramental. The Scapular inspires those who wear it and who commit themselves to our Lady's way of life, a life in which Mary expressed her total openness to the will of God when she said, "Be it done to me according to your word." The message of the Scapular is the same advice she gave to the servants at the Cana wedding: "Do whatever He tells you,"– to follow Christ in faith, hope, and charity. The second scapular promise concerns prompt deliverance from Purgatory. Known as the Sabbatine Privilege, it stems from a bull or decree issued on March 3, 1322 by Pope John XXII, it links the Scapular to Saturday, Our Lady's day, and spells out the requirement of a genuine Christian life: prayer, penance, purity, and fidelity to the sacraments. Our Blessed Mother in speaking with St. Simon Stock promised that those who wear Her Brown Scapular, "On Saturday, as many as I shall find in Purgatory I shall free."

TUESDAY AFTERNOON PRAYER GROUP

Every Tuesday afternoon from 2:00PM-3:00PM we have a group who are praying a **Marian Novena Rosary** in Church in front of the Blessed Sacrament. **ALL ARE WELCOME.**

SAVE USED EYEGLASSES

The Knights of Columbus collects used and old eyeglasses for the less fortunate. Any old or "retired" glasses may be left in the atrium of the Church.

SAVE THE DATE- JULY 13-16

Attention Young Men in High School—there will be a Quo Vadis Retreat—"Where are you going" retreat. The retreat is an opportunity to examine where your life is going. This retreat is designed to help young men to understand their baptismal call to holiness by the priesthood, religious life or marriage. On this retreat, you will take the time out of your busy life to ask God where He desires to lead you. If interested see Fr. Bryan or go to www.newpriestnj.com.

Hunger Doesn't Take a Vacation FOOD DRIVE

During July—OLV will be having a food collection to help **Catholic Charities feed the homeless during the summer months.** Summertime means increased hardship for many needy families in the Archdiocese who rely on school breakfast and lunch programs to feed their children's nutritional needs. Food pantries are hard pressed to provide for these hungry people since many food collections drop off or stop for the summer months. Last summer over 50,000 people turned to the 50 faith-based food pantries supported by Catholic Charities (over 40% of these were children).

Six Little Stories

1. Once, all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. That's **FAITH**.
2. When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That's **TRUST**.
3. Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set the alarm to wake up. That's **HOPE**.
4. We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That's **CONFIDENCE**.
5. We see the world suffering, but still we get married and have children. That's **LOVE**.
6. On an old man's shirt was written a sentence 'I am not 80 years old . . . I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience.' That's **ATTITUDE**.

QUESTION???

Just before the reading of the Gospel at Mass, the priest touches his head, his mouth, and his breast. Most of the people do it at the same time. What does this mean? The priest and people are (or should be) making a small sign of the cross on their forehead, their lips, and breast. The action is a prayer that the Good News of the Lord, which they are about to hear, may be always in their minds, on their lips and in their hearts.

SUN/SOON TAN

During the summer we often go down the shore to "work" on our tans. We may spend an hour in the sun and get "burned" by the sun. Imagine how much good spending an hour before the Son of God will do us. Why don't you stop by the Church on Thursday evenings at 7PM.

CLOTHING BINS

True Freedom is found in our Lord Jesus Christ who liberated us from sin through his death and resurrection. As we rejoice with our fellow-Americans for the independence we enjoy in the United States, let us never forget those who are restricted by the chains of poverty. Why not celebrate your freedom by an act of kindness? One way to do this is by donating your unwanted clothing and shoes to the Catholic Charities donation bin located on our property Thank you.

MOMS, TOTS & POPS

OLV has a playgroup for infants and children ages 1-5. The group meets Tuesday mornings from 9:30AM to 11:30AM in the lower church.

Upcoming OLV Parish Events

- Jul 11—Mon—Women of Grace
- Jul 12 -Tue – Marian Novena Prayer 2:00-3:00PM
- Jul 12—Tue—Bereavement Group—6:30PM
- Jul 13—Wed—OLV Needlers
- Jul 15—Fri— Adoration from 12:30PM-3:00PM
- Jul 16 - Sat—Confessions 11:00-12:00 Noon 3:00-3:25PM
- Jul 16—Sat—AA basement of Church 6:30-8:30PM

Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne

Young women who are discerning a religious vocation with the Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne will have a weekend of sharing at the Motherhouse in Hawthorne NY July 29 –31, 2016 Questions call Sr. Alma Marie 845-745-1319 or Hawthorne-Dominican.org

FRIDAY ADORATION

Just a reminder we have Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays after Noon Mass – 3:00PM. So stop by and adore our Eucharistic Lord.

PRAY for THOSE in the MILITARY

- Lieutenant Julia H. Cheringal, US Navy;
- Lieutenant Ben Clemente, US Army;
- Midshipman Jon Clemente, US Navy;
- 1st Lieutenant Ryan Colomeo, U.S. Marine Corps;
- Captain Michael Franson, US Army;
- Sergeant First Class Charles Greene, US Army;
- Lieutenant Tara Harris, US Air Force;
- Lieutenant Joseph Jaeger, US Navy;
- Lieutenant Andrew Jaeger, US Navy;
- Chief Master Sergeant Shawn Llewellyn, US Air Force;
- Captain Shawn Linn, US Army;
- Colonel John McLaughlin, US Army;
- Corporal Richard McKenna, USMC;
- Lieutenant John G. Miele, US Army.

Prayer for the Safety of Soldiers

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in You will be glad and forever will shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of Your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of Your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise You for Your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Why be rebellious in God’s house?

People generally have no real problem wearing proper clothing when entering places that demand such attire. Would you ever consider attending a formal dinner or a wedding dressed in a tee shirt and shorts, or a tank top and swimming trunks?

Please dress appropriately when coming to Mass.

LEARN TO KNIT/CROCHET

The OLV Catholic Daughters meets every Wednesday evening in the rectory and will teach you to knit or crochet. Contact Renee Tringali at 201-768-0648 for more info.

PARISH SECRETARY

Fr. Bryan: We need a responsible person to fill this parish secretary job.
Maria: That’s me! In my last job when anything went wrong, they said I was responsible.

Norwood PreSchool

Norwood PreSchool is now at Our Lady of Victories. If you have a child and need daycare, call 201-767-9909.

THE BROWN SCAPULAR MARY’S GIFT

The Scapular has a long history as a garment of salvation, but there are six colors of scapulars, and each is endowed with its own indulgences. We mostly hear of the Brown Scapular, but there are also these other colors which have been offered to us, by Heaven, to add to the gifts, graces, and promises consecutively:

The White Scapular – In 1190, St. John of Malta, when celebrating his First Holy Mass, saw an angel dressed in blue with a red cross on the chest. The angel requested he use the White Scapular in honor of the Most Holy Trinity for redeeming Christians captured and enslaved by the Turks.

The Black Scapular – In 1240, seven holy men of Florence, Italy gathered to vow their honor to the Mother of God in her sorrows. One evening she appeared to them holding black garments to perpetuate the memory of her sorrow. They formed the Servites (now called the Servants of Mary), and began the novena prayers to the Sorrowful Mother known as the Seven Dolours of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Black Scapular was the first of the six colors worn by laymen.

The Brown Scapular – In 1251, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared as Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and gave the brown scapular to St. Simon Stock. Our Lady at Fatima showed it in 1917, to the three children.

The Blue Scapular – In 1605, Our Lord appeared to Sister Ursula Benincasa of Naples, Italy, where she promised to adopt the Blue Scapular to honor the Immaculate Conception.

The Red Scapular – In 1864, Our Lord, wearing the Red Scapular, appeared to Sister Appoline of the Order of Sisters of Charity in Troyes, France. She promised to wear it for His Passion so that one could receive the gifts of Faith, Hope, and Charity on each Friday. Our Lord appeared repeatedly and within a year, Pope Pius IX approved the Red Scapular and enriched the wearer with additional indulgences.

The Green Scapular – In 1830, the Blessed Mother entrusted the Green Scapular of the Immaculate Heart to Sister Justine Bisqueyburu of the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, in Paris. Our Lady promised that wonderful graces are to be obtained in proportion to the confidence with which the scapular is given for conversion and cures.

JUST A REMINDER

The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

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PARENTS

Every Friday we have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from noon to 3pm – now that it is summer stop in and bring your child/children and let them spend some quiet time with the Lord. It is never too late to start making “visits” to the Blessed Sacrament.

APOLOGETICS

Defend your Catholic Faith but first learn more about it. Check out this site to learn more about Roman Catholicism:

www.biblechristiansociety.com

GOING ON VACATION

Visit www.masstimes.org for the locations of Catholic Churches and a Mass schedule, throughout the USA.

"Islam, the Worst Plague the Human Race Has Ever Seen"

(Madrid) The famous astrophysicist and Jesuit, Father Manuel Carreira, has said "Islam, the worst plague that the human race has ever seen." In an interview Carreira had indirectly responded to a discussion on West Germany and said that one could not plausibly claim that "Islam is compatible with the rights of a European nation". The Spaniard Manuel Maria Carreira Verez SJ became famous mainly as an astrophysicist, but also as a philosopher and theologian. Since 1974 he is a member of the Vatican Specula, was an employee at numerous NASA projects in the United States and taught more than 30 years at various universities, including the John Carroll University in the US and the Pontifical University of Comillas in Spain. In an interview with El Español he addressed some current issues, including the migration crisis, the relationship between the West and Islam, and the relationship between the state and Church. The State must preserve Christian heritage, he does not want to jeopardize its existence "The state need not impose any specific religious behavior," but it has to be taken into account, that the Western countries are based on Christian ethics, because this has formed these States and made them what they are and what is necessary to defend. "The Catholicity is a central key element in the development of the state", which applies to all of Western Europe. Therefore, the European countries could not accept the abolition of Christianity without putting their very existence at risk. There is growing secularization, and this was "up to a certain point, even desirable, because religion must not be a political element." But the state has the task and duty to protect its Christian heritage as part of the common good. Islam is "completely unable" to respect human dignity and human rights Carreira mainly sees a threat to Western countries, and that is above all Islam. "I would say that Islam is the worst plague that humanity has seen in the past 2000 years.". Islam is "completely unable" to develop, respect for human dignity. For Muslims it is therefore "impossible to respect human rights and the Western tradition". A Muslim in Europe "denies either this respect, then is an internal threat to Europe, or he accepts European thought, which means he is an unbeliever and is dead according to Islamic understanding." Either way, "there is no positive contribution by Islam to a modern society that is respectful of the fundamental rights of every human being," said Carreira. Idea of the multicultural state "an intellectual blunder" For this reason, the astrophysicist and Jesuit sees in the idea of a multicultural state an "intellectual blunder". It lacks any "reasonable relation to reality". Father Carreira said: "It seems to me that one can not plausibly claim that Islam is compatible with the rights of a European nation." "Islam," said the Jesuit, "was created as decaffeinated Christianity because they simply have obscured what they did not understand in Christianity: one no longer talked about the Trinity, nor the incarnation of God for the simple reason that they had not understood it. "Therefore, Islam is a 7th - 9th Century developing form of "a minimalist distorted Christianity" with its "own theology," which is of a "very simple thinking."

"MUSIC FOR A SUMMER NIGHT"

"Songs from the Greatest Generation, WWII"

Saturday – July 16, 2016 at 7:30 PM
St. Anthony's Church – Northvale, NJ
FREE ADMISSION

QUESTION

A Sunday school teacher asked her class, "What was Jesus' mother's name?" One child answered, "Mary." The teacher then asked, "Who knows what Jesus' father's name was?" A little kid said, "Verge." Confused, the teacher asked, "Where did you get that?" The kid said, "Well, you know, they are always talking about Verge n' Mary."

IT'S IN THE BIBLE

The phrase "Divide the spoils", to describe splitting up the loot or booty comes to us from Isaiah 9:3.

Mass Intentions

- Monday, July 11 – St. Benedict of Italy - Abbot**
8:00 Madeline Vespucci R/b the Poggi Family
12:00 Teresa Fusco R/b Anthony and Barbara Zito
- Tuesday, July 12–St. John Gualbert of Florence, Italy-Abbot**
8:00 Harold Slattery
12:00 Jack Ferro R/b Angie Ferro
- Wednesday, July 13 – St. Henry II of Bavaria-Emperor**
8:00 Catherine T. Beirme R/b Richard and Mary C. O'Brien
12:00 Ida M. Walsh R/b the Zanetti Family
- Thursday, July 14–St. Kateri Tekakwitha of Auriesville, NY-Virgin**
8:00 Harry Barrett R/b the Barrett Family
12:00 Angelina Biasi
- Friday, July 15–St. Bonaventure of Bagnorea, Italy-Bishop**
8:00 Brendon Gross R/b Richard and Maureen Ferrara
12:00 Thomas and Maria Capasso R/b Angie Ferro
- Saturday, July 16 – Our Lady of Mount Carmel**
8:00 Rev. Zachary H. Monet, O.Carm. R/b Pat Consoli
12:00 Theresa Wayne R/b Peter and Linda Wayne
4:00 Brian Borylo R/b Geri Gourlay
5:00 Virginia Savastano R/b Victoria Regina
- Sunday, July 17–The Blessed Martyrs of Compiègne-Nuns**
7:30 Sam Burruano R/b the Mulligan Family
8:15 Thomas F. Lagatol II R/b the Lagatol Family
9:30 George Gill R/b Winnie Gill
10:45 Michael Bentivegna R/b the Bentivegna Family
12:00 Frank Muggeo R/b Bob and Sue Muggeo
1:00 People of the Parish
6:00 Dolores Tarabocchia R/b the Picinic Family
7:00 Edward Dolegowski R/b Jon and Jen Fischer

Sanctuary Memorials

- The Church Sanctuary Lamp** burns this week for the repose of the soul of June Greene, r/b Tom and Anne Hackett.
- The Convent Sanctuary Lamp** burns for the souls in Purgatory.
- The Blessed Virgin Mary Votive Lamp** burns this week for the repose of the soul of Josephine Parlanti, r/b Esty Parlanti.
- The St. Joseph Votive Lamp Votive Lamp** burns this week for the repose of the soul of William McGinnis, r/b Peter and Carole Stonitsch.
- The Pope John Paul II Votive Lamp** burns for the intentions of the men and women who serve in defense of our country.

FYI

- Cousins in Norwood** owned by the Risch family has been reopened after the January fire.
- The Harrington Park Meat Market** has been reopened by OLV's Fichera family.
- Flavors of Cuba/Presto Restaurant** in Harrington Park will make a donation to OLV when you patronize the restaurant and tell them you're from OLV.
- AA meets in the basement at OLV on Saturday nights from 6:30-8:30PM.

STEWARDSHIP

MY FAMILY – MY PARISH – MY RESPONSIBILITY

As your expenses increase, so do the Church's, but we rely on your generosity to meet our expenses. Please be generous.

KIDZ KORNER ANSWERS

- 1. Israel.
- 2. Mt. Sinai.
- 3. Egypt.
- 4. Mt. Ararat.
- 5. Turkey and Armenia.

CHARLIE REESE'S FINAL COLUMN A GREAT READ.

A very interesting column. COMPLETELY NEUTRAL Be sure to Read the Poem at the end. Charley Reese's final column for the Orlando Sentinel... He has been a journalist for 49 years. He is retiring and this is HIS LAST COLUMN. Be sure to read the Tax List at the end. This is about as clear and easy to understand as it can be. The article below is completely neutral, neither anti-republican nor democrat. Charlie Reese, a retired reporter for the Orlando Sentinel, has hit the nail directly on the head, defining clearly who it is that in the final analysis must assume responsibility for the judgments made that impact each one of us every day. It's a relatively short but good read. Worth the time. Worth remembering!

545 vs. 300,000,000 People- by Charlie Reese

Politicians are the only people in the world who create problems and then campaign against them · Have you ever wondered, if both the Democrats and the Republicans are against deficits, WHY do we have deficits?· Have you ever wondered, if all the politicians are against inflation and high taxes, WHY do we have inflation and high taxes?· You and I don't propose a federal budget, the President does.· You and I don't have the Constitutional authority to vote on appropriations. The House of Representatives does.

· You and I don't write the tax code, Congress does.· You and I don't set fiscal policy, Congress does.· You and I don't control monetary policy, the Federal Reserve Bank does.

One hundred senators, 435 congressmen, one President, and nine Supreme Court justices equates to 545 human beings out of the 300 million are directly, legally, morally, and individually responsible for the domestic problems that plague this country. I excluded the members of the Federal Reserve Board because that problem was created by the Congress. In 1913, Congress delegated its Constitutional duty to provide a sound currency to a federally chartered, but private, central bank. I excluded all the special interests and lobbyists for a sound reason. They have no legal authority. They have no ability to coerce a senator, a congressman, or a President to do one cotton-picking thing. I don't care if they offer a politician \$1 million dollars in cash. The politician has the power to accept or reject it. No matter what the lobbyist promises, it is the legislator's responsibility to determine how he votes. Those 545 human beings spend much of their energy convincing you that what they did is not their fault. They cooperate in this common con regardless of party. What separates a politician from a normal human being is an excessive amount of gall. No normal human being would have the gall of a Speaker, who stood up and criticized the President for creating deficits. The President can only propose a budget. He cannot force the Congress to accept it. The Constitution, which is the supreme law of the land, gives sole responsibility to the House of Representatives for originating and approving appropriations and taxes. Who is the speaker of the House now? He is the leader of the majority party. He and fellow House members, not the President, can approve any budget they want. If the President vetoes it, they can pass it over his veto if they agree to. It seems inconceivable to me that a nation of 300 million cannot replace 545 people who stand convicted -- by present facts -- of incompetence and irresponsibility. I can't think of a single domestic problem that is not traceable directly to those 545 people. When you fully grasp the plain truth that 545 people exercise the power of the federal government, then it must follow that what exists is what they want to exist. If the tax code is unfair, it's because they want it unfair. If the budget is in the red, it's because they want it in the red. If the Army and Marines are in Iraq and Afghanistan it's because they want them in Iraq and Afghanistan . If they do not receive social security but are on an elite retirement plan not available to the people, it's because they want it that way. There are no insoluble government problems. Do not let these 545 people shift the blame to bureaucrats, whom they hire and whose jobs they can abolish; to lobbyists, whose gifts and advice they can reject; to regulators, to whom they give the power to regulate and from whom they can take this power. Above all, do not let them con you into the belief that there exists disembodied mystical forces like "the economy," "inflation," or "politics" that prevent them from doing what they take an oath to do. Those 545 people, and they alone, are responsible. They, and they alone, have the power. They, and they alone, should be held accountable by the people who are their bosses, provided the voters have the gumption to manage their own employees. We should vote all of them out of office and clean up their mess!

What you do with this article now that you have read it... is up to you. This might be funny if it weren't so true. Put these words upon his tomb, "Taxes drove me to my doom..." When he's gone, do not relax, it's time to apply the Inheritance tax.

- Accounts Receivable Tax
- Building Permit Tax
- CDL license Tax
- Cigarette Tax
- Corporate Income Tax
- Dog License Tax
- Excise Taxes
- Federal Income Tax
- Federal Unemployment Tax (FUTA)
- Fishing License Tax
- Food License Tax
- Fuel Permit Tax
- Gasoline Tax (currently 44.75 cents per gallon)
- Gross Receipts Tax
- Hunting License Tax
- Inheritance Tax
- Inventory Tax
- IRS Interest Charges
- IRS Penalties (tax on top of tax)
- Liquor Tax
- Luxury Taxes
- Marriage License Tax
- Medicare Tax
- Personal Property Tax
- Property Tax
- Real Estate Tax
- Service Charge Tax
- Social Security Tax
- Road Usage Tax
- Recreational Vehicle Tax
- Sales Tax
- School Tax
- State Income Tax
- State Unemployment Tax (SUTA)
- Telephone Federal Excise Tax
- Telephone Federal Universal Service Fee Tax
- Telephone Federal, State and Local Surcharge Taxes
- Telephone Minimum Usage Surcharge Tax
- Telephone Recurring and Nonrecurring Charges Tax
- Telephone State and Local Tax
- Telephone Usage Charge Tax
- Utility Taxes
- Vehicle License Registration Tax
- Vehicle Sales Tax
- Watercraft Registration Tax
- Well Permit Tax
- Workers Compensation Tax

STILL THINK THIS IS FUNNY?

Not one of these taxes existed 100 years ago, and our nation was the most prosperous in the world. We had absolutely no national debt, had the largest middle class in the world, and Mom, if agreed, stayed home to raise the kids What in the heck happened? Can you spell 'politicians'? I hope this goes around THE USA at least 545 times!!! YOU can help it get there!!! GO AHEAD BE AN AMERICAN!

KIDZ KORNER

1. Mt. Carmel is located in what country?
2. On what mountain did Moses receive the 10 Commandments?
3. In what country is that mountain located?
4. What mountain did Noah's ark land on?
5. In what country is that mountain located?

Answers on page four.