

## Our Lady of Victory

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This cover shown on the back cover has the 3¢ Famous American Poet Issue (James Russel Lowell) perfined with perfin pattern O47 (OLV) from *The Catalog of United States Perfins*. The 1¢ Washington is not perfined. The catalog lists the user of O47 to be Our Lady of Victory, Buffalo, NY. This cover shows a more complete name, Our Lady of Victory Infant Home, Lackawana, NY. It is also postmarked with an oval cancel showing "BUFFALO NY" in the oval ring and "LACK" in the center. Although this cover lists the user as Our Lady of Victory Infant Home sometimes these homes are just part of a larger organization. The home's parent organization is probably a church called Our Lady of Victory.

This brings up a couple of questions:

Should the user be listed as Our Lady of Victory or Our Lady of Victory Infant Home?

Should the city of origin be listed as Buffalo or Lackawana?

What is the relationship between Lackawana and Buffalo? Are they separate cities or is Lackawana a suburb or postal station of Buffalo?

Perhaps someone from Buffalo, someone familiar with this organization, or someone with covers of O47 could add a clarification.

Our Lady of Victory Infant Home

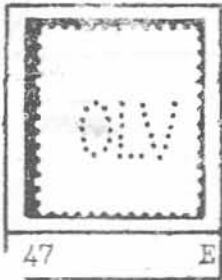
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