

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church

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*Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all
circumstances give thanks, for this is the
will of God for you in Christ Jesus.*

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



MASS SCHEDULE

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays: 8:30 am
Wednesdays: 6:30 pm
Saturdays: 4:30 pm; Sundays: 8:30 & 10:30 am

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

Call parish office to request a hospital visit or the
Sacrament of Anointing.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 8:00 am
Wednesday: 5:30—6:25 pm

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Holy Communion is brought to homebound &
residents of Villa Rose and Bethalto Care Center
on Fridays for those unable to attend Mass.

Call parish office to request.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturday....9:00 am-11:00 am

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents of infants to be Baptized, call the parish office
to request a meeting with Fr. Tom.

Third Sunday of Advent

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sat., Dec. 16 4:30 pm	Advent Weekday Rudy Papa
Sun., Dec. 17 8:30 am 10:30 am	Third Sunday of Advent For the Parishioners Fred Queen
Mon., Dec. 18 8:30 am	Advent Weekday Frances Costanzo
Tues., Dec. 19 8:30 am	Advent Weekday Elizabeth Briskovich
Wed., Dec. 20 6:30 pm	Advent Weekday David Berghoff
Thurs., Dec. 21 8:30 am	Advent Weekday Steve & Virginia Ostanick
Fri., Dec. 22 8:30 am	Advent Weekday Dale Johnson
Sat., Dec. 23 4:30 pm	Advent Weekday Frances Costanzo
Sun., Dec. 24 8:30 am 10:30 am	Fourth Sunday of Advent Linda Brazier For the Parishioners



Dear Parishioners,

Synod statues 31 through 36 deal with the ministry of the Dean. The Dean of a Deanery is the Bishop's representative on the local level. In our diocese there are seven deaneries... Alton, Decatur, Effingham, Jacksonville, Litchfield, Quincy, and Springfield. Our deanery is the Alton deanery and the Dean is the pastor of St. Boniface in Edwardsville, Fr. Jeff Goeckner. Since he is the bishop's representative he is given the title of "Very Reverend". A Dean has the responsibilities of coordinating the pastoral activity set down by the bishop in his deanery. He also is in charge of the welfare of all of the priests in his deanery as well as the parishes. Before I came to Queen of Peace, I was the dean of the Springfield deanery. As I found out, being a dean can be very time consuming, so I ask you to say a prayer for Fr. Goeckner every so often as he discharges his duties as dean for all of us in the Alton Deanery.

Fr. Tom

Advent Opportunities for Confession

Father Tom will be available for Confessions at the following times this coming week:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:

8:00 am each day

Wednesday: 5:30—6:25 pm



Prayer Requests

The sick: Conor Vogel, Jim Friedrich, Keita Salantai, Mary Wagner, Janet Yates, Bob Schley, Pat Ricci, Jean Greer, Cathy & Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Baby Corbin, Marguerite Hufker, Darlene Huebener, Betty Bast, Randall Oldham, Nelson Gregory, Baby Gonterman, Dan Connoyer, Mary & Brian Frey, Barb Davis, Frank Macias, Don Laird, Dorothy Wittig, Warren Lyerla. **Parish E-Mail Prayer Chain:** Send requests to Marie at rejoy128@gmail.com



Last Call To Buy SCRIP For Christmas

Buying SCRIP Gift Cards is the perfect Christmas gift! We keep over 50 different retailers on hand. And, **if you just don't know what type of SCRIP to buy someone, we offer generic SCRIP gift certificates in any amount you choose.** In addition, we offer SCRIP for several local restaurants. To purchase, come by or call the parish office Monday thru Thursday this week.

PARISH & SCHOOL CONTACT INFO

PARISH OFFICE

618-377-6519, Fax: 618-377-9550

Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am—4:30 pm (Sept.—May)

Closed Friday (June—August)

(closed 12-1 for lunch)

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PARISH SCHOOL

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School Secretary: Elaine Withers

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bethalto Council #4688, 4th Degree Assembly #203

Grand Knight: Chris DeClue,

Email: bethaltoknight@gmail.com

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Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve: 4:30 pm, 9:00 pm

Christmas Day: 9:00 am

Parish Office Hours, Dec. 18—Jan. 1

Open Monday, Dec. 18 through Thursday, Dec. 21

Closed Dec. 22 through Dec. 26

Open Wednesday, Dec. 27 through Dec. 29

Closed Monday, Jan. 1

Resume normal hours, Tuesday, Jan. 2

PARISH OFFERINGS

Week 24	Dec. 9 & 10	Total to Date
Loose	\$368.05	\$10,925.04
Envelopes	\$10,153.00	\$224,965.10
On Line Giving	\$1,965.00	\$43,890.00
Young People	\$5.00	\$255.46
Total	\$12,491.05	\$280,035.60
Operating Budget	\$14,817.92	\$355,630.08
ACSA Budget	\$662.94	\$15,910.56
Difference	(\$2,989.81)	(\$91,505.04)

Average weekly envelopes received: 198 of 823

Building Maintenance Fund Donations: \$35.00

Other Charitable Donations: \$1,003.00

December 17, 2017

OLQP Auction Challenge



Feb 24, 2018. This event is an *entire parish event* to support ALL our youth ministries as well as the school. We need your help! We are in currently in the search for donations. There are only 9 weeks till the auction!

This week's challenge is: *After Christmas Sales*—Another opportunity to get a great donation item for a big discount.

Community 55

(For All Parishioners 55+)

Wednesday, December 20, 11:30 am, in the church basement. \$12 person (at the door). Meal will be catered by Diana. Program: "Some of My Favorite Things" presented by Deb Harden and OLQP 'Sounds of Peace Choir'. There will be a 50/50 Raffle and attendance prizes. Reservations due by **Sunday, December 17,** to Ralph/Peggy Ruhmann, 656-4868, Helen Nagy, 656-5334 or Mary Powell, 259-1540. Your presence will make it a special day!

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **John Staub**, brother of **Barb Boswell**. May God grant him eternal rest.

Auction Tickets Now Available

Get the early bird special \$35 per ticket or \$280 for table of 8. Special ends Jan 14th, tickets then go to \$40 each. Tickets available after all masses, school and church offices. Prices include dinner, beer and wine. Auction date is Feb 24, 2018.

Note: Volunteers also required to buy a ticket.

Last Call for Ireland!

The Shrines and Pubs of Ireland – we are going to take in as much of the diversity of the county from its hillsides, to its castles, its cities, to the richness of the people, the food and drink. Visiting Dublin, Waterford, Kerry, Clare, Mayo visiting shrines, monasteries, castles, pubs, breweries, and so much more in between. (see itinerary for details) We will be staying at least 1 night in a castle. Dates July 23, 2018 – August 2, 2018. Cost \$3999 (per person/double occupancy) includes airfare, lodging, ground transportation & fees as well breakfasts and dinners. Contact Amy Frisch 444-7715.

Please Note

There will **not be** a 4:30 Mass on Sunday Dec. 31, or a 10:30 Mass on January 1, as originally listed in the current Ministry Schedule. This year, the Solemnity of Mary is **not a holy day** of obligation. We will have the usual 8:30 am & 10:30 am Masses on Sunday, Dec. 31 and 8:30 am Mass on Monday, Jan. 1.

A Prayer for Advent

Heavenly Father, may hope and expectant joy be with us as we celebrate the Advent season. May our faith be strengthened as we prepare for the occasion of your son's birth, when the human and the divine were joined because of your great love for us. Amen.
-Terence Hegarty

Early Bird Registration- 2018 Summer Camp Starts October 1st!



Camp Ondessonk

Ondessonk.com

- Maple Sugarin Weekend
March 2-3, 2018
- Camp O Trivia Night
March 3, 2018
- Father Son Weekend
April 27-29, 2018

877-659-CAMP

LITURGICAL ROLES

Weekend of December 23 & 24

USHERS/GREETERS:

- 4:30 pm Dale Osborne, Dan Rogers
Loren & Raeann Summers
- 8:30 am Fred & Teresa Stutz
Chris & Chris Stutz
- 10:30am Chip & Jackie Braatz
John & Mary Wagner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

- 4:30 pm Liz Laurent, Marcella DiPaolo, Linda Bugg
Jim & Bea Albarado, Dan Perkhiser
Denise & Jay McCurdy
- 8:30 am Dianne Morin, Sharon Pritchett, Pat Johnson
Andy & Mary Kerkemeyer, Ray Meyer
Paula Mattix-Wand
- 10:30 am Dave Berkenbile, Jackie Braatz
John & Sandy Platter, Mike Inman
Sharon Forrester, Sam Waldo, Teresa Dubbelde

SERVERS:

- 4:30 pm Grace Ray
Jackson Garman
Shelby Jones
- 8:30 am Monica Kerkemeyer
Katelyn Maher
Lauren Maher
- 10:30 am Seth Dale
Isabella Tite
Samantha Pritchett

MUSIC:

- 4:30 pm Barb & Kris
- 8:30 am Folk Group
- 10:30 am Praise Team

LECTORS:

- 4:30 pm Lynne Rose
- 8:30 am Becky Gray
- 10:30 am Lee Gonterman

No SCRIP Sales Weekend of December 23 & 24

Luke 18 Food Team Needs Your Help

Behind every retreat is a great food crew! Help is needed to prepare the 6 meals during the retreat. Luke 18 is December 29 -31. Donations of salty snacks, cookies, fresh fruit, milk, juice, muffins, or ground beef would help defray the cost of the weekend. If you can help in any way, call Paula Mattix-Wand at 618-972-1522.

Next Military Mass

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 6 pm, St. Peter & Paul Church, Alton.

A Message From Eve Remiszewski (Principal)

There has been so much happening at the school since I last communicated!! Our Preschoolers had a Thanksgiving feast in their classrooms and learned what Thanksgiving is really all about! Also in November we had our wonderful Fall Play, Peter Pan! I hope you had a chance to attend and witness for yourself just how talented OLQP students are! December is packed with activity and preparing ourselves and our students for the birth of Jesus! An Advent calendar that displays a new verse from the Christmas story is in the school lobby, and we all attend student-led Advent prayer services on Wednesday mornings during Advent. In addition, we already had Breakfast with Santa, Santa's Kottage, and the Preschool Christmas Program. The K-8 Program will be on Dec. 20th, at 6:30 PM!! The 8th graders celebrated a Christmas party at the Bethalto Care Center with the residents there, and they celebrated Mass with the residents at Villa Rose last week! Our Civic Club is sponsoring a Christmas raffle with the proceeds going to Father Tom to help those in our community who are in need. These are just a few of the happenings at our school during the month of December! As Christmas quickly approaches, the faculty and staff join me in thanking all of our parishioners for your unending support in all we do. In addition, we wish you a blessed Christmas and a happy, healthy, safe new year!!!

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