OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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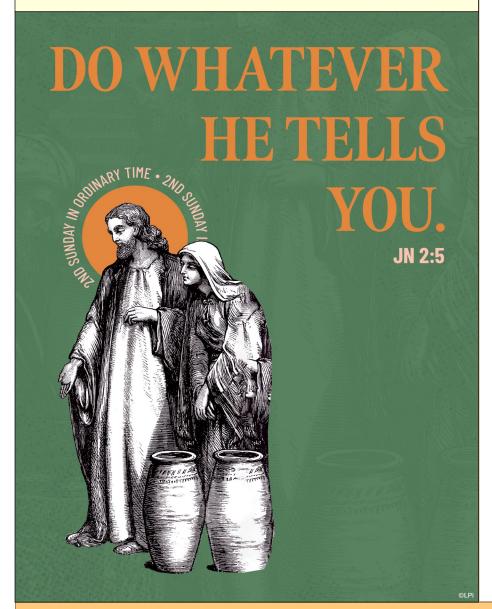
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"All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name,

O Most High!" —Psalm 66:4



MASS SCHEDULE

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

PARISH OFFICE

Hours: Monday—Thursday, 8:30—4:00 pm (Lunch 12-1) Email:church@olqpbethalto.org 618-377-6519 Fax: 618-377-9550 Office Manager: Terri Zykan Secretary/SCRIP Coordinator: Bea Albarado

PARISH SCHOOL

Mrs. Kim Knight, Principal, kknight@olqpbethalto.org 618-377-6401 Fax: 618-377-6146 Chrissy Woodiel, Secretary: cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org School website: https://www.olqpbethalto.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bethalto Council #4688, 4th Degree #203 Grand Knight: Luke Kistner bethaltoknight@gmail.com Www.bethaltoknights.org

COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND

1st Friday of each month. Call the parish office to request .

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 pm, And by appointment.

COMING OUR WAY...

KC Chicken Dinner	January 19
Ladies Sewing Group	
RCIA & PSR Classes	
Glow in the Dark Bingo	
Catholic Schools Week Begins—School Open House	
Prayer Group	
Preschool & Kindergarten Open House	
OLQP Parish & School Dinner Auction	February 8
Community 55 Luncheon	

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions			
Sat., Jan. 18	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
4:30 pm	Bob DiPaolo		
Sun., Jan. 19	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time		
8:30 am	For the Parishioners		
10:30 am	Toni Stanford		
Mon., Jan. 20	Weekday in Ordinary Time		
8:30 am	Bud Gilomen		
Tues., Jan. 21	St. Agnes		
8:30 am	Vi Perkhiser		
Wed., Jan. 22 6:30 pm	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection Of Unborn Children Darlene, Gladys, Victor Huebener, Mary and Ivan Cremeens		
Thur., Jan. 23	Weekday in Ordinary Time		

Fri., Jan. 24 St. Francis de Sales 8:30 am Laura Menke Ward

Sat., Jan. 25 Conversion of St. Paul 4:30 pm Sue & Rich Hayes (L)

Sun., Jan. 26 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am For the Parishioners

Tom DeClue, Jr.

10:30 am Mary Powell

Prayer Requests



8:30 am

The sick: Conor Vogel, Keita Salantai, Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite Hufker, Maxine Calhoon, Peggy Ruhmann, Brooke Randolph Carden, Brittany Witt, Greg Weber, Pat Friedel, Kristin Brunstein, Jim Begnel, Mike Toner, Lucie Hale, Liz Stutz, Rob

Helmkamp, Don Laird, Bill Johnson, Jim Johnson, Lesie Rider, Garrett Hardin, Patty Eichen, Rita Smith, Marvin Bonner, Joseph Batson, Cherie Buell, Nancy Horman, Lynn Bertels, Patty Hall, Norm Frisch, Thelma Kochan, Carla Klaustermeier, Tim Barton. For prayer requests in the bulletin, call parish office, 377-6519. Prayer requests email prayer chain, Marie at rejoy128@gmail.

Glow in the Dark Bingo-This Coming Friday

Help our school purchase new science curriculum! Come to this enjoyable fundraiser **Friday**, **1/24**, school gym. Doors open 6pm, Bingo, 6:30PM. \$25 in advance & \$30 at the door. Price includes 6 Bingo cards to play 10 games, glow hat, and dauber. We are also looking for 10 businesses to sponsor a round of Bingo for \$100 a round. You will be mentioned in the program and aloud throughout the night. Table reservations can be made for a complete table of 8. Call the school office, 618-377-6401 or Email: kknight@olqpbethalto.org



Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of *Catherine Hewett*, sister of Fr. Kevin Sullivan and



Dana Sue Bickmore, mother of Jennifer Sawyer. May God grant them eternal rest.

Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of Unbound, thank you very much for welcoming us to your parish. Our hearts are full of gratitude for the generosity you have shown to the children, youth and the elders in our sponsorship program. Through your willingness to partner with Unbound, your parish community has taken steps toward a closer walk with Jesus in the name of the poor. We pray that members of your parish community who answered the call to sponsorship will be richly blessed by their experience.

−Fr. Jím Benz

2025 OLQP Parish/School Dinner Auction

There are only 2 weeks left to reserve your table or seat for this year's Dinner Auction on **February 8**, in our gym. Secure your reservation in the church or school office OR by using the website below. Doors open, 5:30PM, Dinner, 6pm. Tickets: \$35/Person or \$280 for a table of 8. Ticket price includes a catered meal from Moonlight, soda, beer, wine,seltzers, and live access to the auction. Can't make it this evening? You can still make a monetary donation in the church or school office OR online using the website below. No donation is too small. to raise \$65,000 this year. https://OLQP2025.givesmart.com

2025 Church Calendars

Our calendars are coming! We hope to receive them this month. We will distribute them as soon as we can!

NEXT PRAYER GROUP

We will meet January 28, 6 pm, in church. Everyone welcome!!! Bring Your Bibles!

School Book Fair Fundraiser

The school Book Fair will run from Friday, 1/24-1/31. Come Shop in person on Sunday, 1/26/25 from 9:30-12PM (School Front Lobby) or shop online anytime the week of 1/24/25-2/6/25 by using the link below. Books make great Valentine's Day Gifts or Easter Basket items. This fundraiser directly benefits the school.

https://www.scholastic.com/bf/ ourladyqueenofpeaceschool

Sunday Offerings			
Week 28	1/11/25—1/12/25	Total to Date	
Loose	\$402.00	\$16,412.72	
Envelopes	\$8,757.00	\$277,853.80	
On Line Giving	\$1,506.33	\$97,141.71	
Young People	\$1.00	\$35.45	
Total	\$10,666.33	\$391,443.68	
Operating Budget	\$15,391.25	\$430,955.00	
Tithe to Diocese	\$1,500.00	\$42,000.00	
Difference	(\$6,224.92)	(81,511.32)	

Total Envelopes Received: 104
Online Donations: 23
Building Maintenance Fund Donations: \$355.44
Other Charitable Donations: \$515.00

Liturgical Ministers

January 25 & 26

4:30 pm

Rosary Jim Albarado Lector Dale Osborne

E. Ministers Fran Nappier, Bea Albarado Ushers Stacy Dooling, Dee Oller

Joe & Cathy Gulash

Servers Levi & Abe Woodiel Music Craig/Kris/Becky/Bob

8:30 am

Rosary Carol Beste Lector Linda Begnel

E. Ministers
Ushers
Ushers
Debbie Hay, Mike Early
Kathy & Tim Phillips
Jim & Theresa Stephens
Servers
Ellie & Carson Williams

Music Folk Group

10:30 am

Lector Sonya Hagaman

E. Ministers Lee Gonterman, Dee Oller Ushers Diane Waldo, Kathy Wilson

Tim & Tammy Sasek

Servers Brynlee Spa, Jemma Dorsey

Music Praise Team

SCRIP Sellers, Jan. 25-26

4:30 Debbie Zacha8:30 Mary Cain10:30 Brenda Zacha

Unplanned pregnancy?

Contact Thrive Metro East! Their services are no cost and kept confidential. No insurance needed. Call 618-466-1690or text: **FREETEST4U** to **(618) 280-2040**.

School Open House

Our PreK & Kindergarten Open House to enroll for the 25/26 school year will be Wednesday, 2/5/25, 6-7pm. This is open to all current school families, parish families, and prospective families. Meet the teachers, ask questions, see our curriculum, and obtain information on how to enroll for the 25/26 School Year. Our Catholic Schools Week Open House is Sunday, 1/26/25 from 9:30-12:00PM. All alumni, current school families, and prospective school families are welcome to attend. Donuts, juice, and coffee will be served from the kitchen. Educational Fair Projects will be on display in the Classrooms and the Book Fair will be open to shop. Stop in the school office if you would like more info on how to enroll in 1st-8th Grade for the 25/26 school year.

Preschool Registration for 2025-2026 School Year

We are currently accepting registrations for preschool for the 2025-2026 school year for all current school families and parish families. Registration will open to the public on 2/5/25. Get your spot reserved before it fills up. Email the school office (cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org) for info on how to register or call the school office (618-377-6401) for more info.

KC Chicken Dinner Today

Sunday, January 19, 11:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. DINE IN, CARRYOUT or DRIVE THRU, \$14 Adults, \$6 Children (ages 5-10) \$14 for half chicken or five (5) chicken strips, and choice of three (3) sides. Sides: Mac/Cheese, Green Beans, Potatoes, Gravy. Also, we are now able to accept credit card payment. Proceeds go to K of C Charities/OLQP Parish. For carry out or drive thru, enter from Prairie Street into the school parking lot for pickup.

Catholic Women's Prayer Breakfast

Sat., March 22, St. Paul Church, Highland. Register online: *www.stpaulhighland.org.* More information, email: womensbreakfast2025@gmail.com or contact Rose Wascher, 847-274-3916. Deadline: 3/1/25.

Blest Art

Please visit this display this weekend in the church basement. Their mission supports those families in the Holy Land. They have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries and many other pieces. They accept cash, checks and all major credit cards.

Contribution Statements

Contact the parish office to request a 2024 Contribution Statement. Email: church@olqpbethalto.org or call 618-377-6519. Important Note About Contribution Statements: In November, 2024, the parish began using a new program for the record keeping of your contributions. As a result, you may receive 2 statements for 2024. One statement would include donations made between January 1 and October 31. The other statement would include any donations made in November and December, 2024. You simply will need to add these two figures together for your tax reporting. If you have any questions, please call the parish office.

A Meditation

The following reflection is courtesy of Don Schwager © 2025. Don's website is located at Dailyscripture.net

John 2:1-12 — Do you recognize the glory and presence of the Lord Jesus in your life? God often reveals his glory to us in the unlikeliest of places - in a cold stable at Bethlehem, at a village wedding party in Cana, on a bloody cross at Golgatha, or on the road to Emmaus. In today's Gospel reading we see the first public sign and miracle which Jesus performed. The Lord Jesus brought great blessing and joy to a newly wed couple and their wedding party. First by his presence, and second by saving them from embarrassment when the wine ran out. Changing water into wine was a remarkable act of kindness; but giving the best to last was unnecessary and unheard of. In the Old Testament wine is seen as both a gift and blessing of God (Deuteronomy 7:13; Proverbs 3:10, Psalm 105:). That Jesus would miraculously produce 120 gallons of the best wine (many times more than needed) shows the superabundance of the blessings which he came to offer.

This miracle signifies the "new rich wine" of the Gospel and it points to the "wine of the new covenant" and the "bread of life" which Jesus provides for his disciples in the Lord's Supper or Eucharist. It also points to the Messianic banquet which Jesus will provide at the end of the age when he comes again in his glory. The miracles of Jesus demonstrate the power of God's love and mercy for his people. God's kindness knows no limits. And the ultimate expression of his love is revealed in the person of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. He became flesh for our sake, and he died for our redemption, and he rose that we, too, might be raised up and glorified with him. Do you thirst for God and for the abundant life and blessings he offers to you?