OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Our Lady Queen of Peace Welcomes You



RCIA 2025

We extend our **Congratulations** and a very warm welcome to our newest parishioners who were received into the church at our Easter Vigil.

NEW MEMBERS: Chad Elliott, Cooper Brown Elliott Perez, Carter Perez

TEAM MEMBERS:

Tim Zacha (RCIA Coordinator)
Tami Stoneburner (Children's Coordinator)
Father Tom Liebler, Pastor

In Appreciation

On behalf of our RCIA Family, we would like to **thank everyone** who helped in making this year in RCIA and the Easter Vigil very special for us!

- Father Tom Liebler

For celebrating the beautiful Easter Vigil Mass, and for teaching us about the Catholic Faith.

-Dee Zakrzewski; Luke & Christy Kistner; Jimmy Albarado

For the time and commitment you gave as sponsors

-Thanks to our prayer partners: Jim Begnel; Sharon Gonterman and Kathy Weber For your prayerful support this year.

- Fr. Tom; Paula Mattix-Wand, Craig Stark & the RCIA Team

For your presentations and teachings and for sharing your faith with us this year.

- Joe Grabowski

For your wonderful talk that inspired all of us during the RCIA retreat.

- Art & Environment Committee:

for transforming our church into a beautiful Garden of the Resurrection.

- Music Team:

For making the Easter Vigil even more special with your beautiful music.

- Kris Magee

For serving as our prayer partner coordinator

-Thanks **Bea Albarado** for all that you do behind the scenes to help us this year

- For the RCIA team

You are truly **special** people and you are greatly appreciated for your support, commitment of time & talents and the faith that you share: **Fr Tom; Jimmy Albarado; Jay McCurdy; Teri Fulk; Susie Davis; Cindy Helmkamp; Tami Stoneburner; Cindy Stutz and Joe Grabowski**

GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU!!

Tim Zacha & Jay McCurdy RCIA Coordinators

COMING OUR WAY...

KC Chili Cookoff	April 28
PSR Class	April 30
Spring Fling	Mav 4
Ladies Sewing Group	May 7
Community 55 Luncheon	May 8
Parish Prayer Group	May 13
Parish Prayer GroupLadies Bible Study Group	Maý 14

Second Sunday of Easter

Mass Intentions Saturday within the Octave of Easter Sat., April 26 4:30 pm Vi Perkhiser Sun., April 27 **Second Sunday of Easter** 8:30 am For the Parishioners 10:30 am Mary Powell Mon., April 28 **Easter Weekday** 8:30 am Communion Service Tues., April 29 St. Catherine of Siena 8:30 am Communion Service Wed., April 30 **Easter Weekday** 6:30 pm Communion Service Thur., May 1 **Easter Weekday** 8:30 am Communion Service Fri., May 2 St. Athanasius 8:30 am Robert Jankowski Sat. May 3 Sts. Philip and James 4:30 pm Dale Johnson Third Sunday of Easter Sun., May 4 8:30 am For the Parishioners 10:30 am Audrey Wolff & Norma Wehking

Prayer Requests

The sick: Conor Vogel, Keita Salantai, Charlie Mattingly,



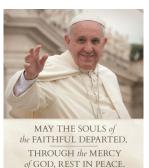
Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite Hufker, Brooke Randolph Carden, Brittany Witt, Greg Weber, Pat Friedel, Kristin Brunstein, Jim Begnel, Mike Toner, Lucie Hale, Liz Stutz, Rob Helmkamp, Don Laird, Bill Johnson, Jim Johnson, Lesie Rider, Garrett Hardin, Patty Eichen,

Rita Smith, Marvin Bonner, Joseph Batson, Cherie Buell, Nancy Horman, Lynn Bertels, Patty Hall, Norm Frisch, Thelma Kochan, Carla Klaustermeier, Tim Barton, Bonnie Wirth, Susan Hilker, Emilee Baalman, Bob Randolph, Ron Harshbarger, William Richter, Jean Walker, Bill Timpe, Patti Dhue, Neil Friedel. For prayer requests in the bulletin, call parish office, 377-6519. Prayer requests email prayer chain, Marie at rejoy128@gmail.

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Brenda Gibbons, wife of Dave Gibbons, Brandon Ahring, son of Brett & Chris Ahring, grandson of Ralph and Carol Osterman and Evelyn Sasek, mother of Tim Sasek.

May God grant them eternal rest.



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Dear Parishioners,

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Monday morning we received the sad news of the death of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. After his long stay in the hospital and his continued recovery we knew that he was in fragile health, but then to see him come out on the Papal balcony on Easter to impart his blessings upon the city and the world made us think that he had turned the corner to a good recovery. It was not to be. It is always a great sadness and sense of loss when our Holy Father dies. At the same time there is a sense of expectation as to who will be our next Holy Father. So, for these next few weeks let us pray for the happy repose of the soul of Pope Francis, the College of Cardinals who will be gathering in Conclave, and for the Cardinal who they will elect as the new Vicar of Christ. Eternal Rest Grant to Pope Francis, and may the Perpetual Light rest upon him.

Fr. Tom

Attention Ladies of the Parish

Join other ladies of our parish on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month for Bible Study. **We will meet again on May 14**. Join us anytime! Questions, please call Cindy Stutz, 618-741-4452 or Linda Zacha, 618-377-5725.

Welcome Fr. John P. Fischer

This weekend we welcome Fr. Fischer, who is speaking at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach, which was founded to forge a stronger and more supportive link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns serving the poor in the Caribbean, Africa, Southeast Asia, and Central and South America. Please be generous in your response to Fr Fischer's appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry.

NEXT PRAYER GROUP

We will meet May 14, 6 pm, in church. Everyone welcome!!!

Sunday Offerings		
Week 42	4/19/25—4/20/25	Total to Date
Loose Envelopes On Line Giving Young People	\$1,071.63 \$11,853.00 \$5,161.97 \$11.0	\$30,300.37 \$416,628.02 \$147,780.27 \$65.19
Total Operating Budget Tithe to Diocese Difference	\$18,087.70 \$15,391.25 \$1,500.00 \$1,196.45	\$594,773.85 \$646,432.50 \$63,000.00 (\$114,658.65)

Total Envelopes Received: 119
Online Donations: 66
Centenniel Campaign Donations: \$2,850.00
Other Charitable Donations: \$1,990.00

Liturgical Ministers

May 3 & 4

4:30 pm

Rosary Jim Albarado Pat Beiermann Lector

E. Ministers Joe Gulash, Mary Gulash Mike Magee, Bob Sulberger Ushers Angela Reilley, Pat Holbrook

Levi Woodiel, Abe Woodiel Servers

Barb/Kathy/Tami Music

8:30 am

Andy Kerkemeyer Rosarv Lector Jim Stephens

E. Ministers Debbie Hay, Rick Rose Ushers Bob & Fran Eagen

Jim & Judy Griffith Servers **Adult Servers** Music Craig/Kris/Becky

10:30 am

Lector Jeremy Crump

E. Ministers Dee Oller, Deana McDonough Ushers Kathy Wilson, Diane Waldo

Tim & Tammy Sasek

Hudson Hall, Everly Olmsted Servers

Music Praise Team

SCRIP Sellers, May 3 & 4

4:30 Bea Albarado 8:30 Susie Davis 10:30 Amy Frisch

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.

Community 55

This month's Community 55 luncheon will take place on Thursday, May 8, at 11:30 a.m. at Alton Sports Tap. Please text or call Kris Magee (377-2782) to RSVP or sign up on the OLQP Church Facebook page by Tuesday, May 6.

Online Contributions Conversion

If you have not already done so, please close your givecentral account and create a new account in Pushpay, using the QR code here. If you have any problems, call the parish office, 618-377-6519.





Pray the Rosary Each Month

Join others in praying the Rosary on the 13th of each month at 2:00 pm, at Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, Calvary Cemetery in Edwardsville. This will take place from May through October. Bring a chair. In case of rain, we will go to the Chapel.

SPRING FLING—May 4

We are excited to start planning our annual family fun carnival day. We are needing the parishioners' help in several areas to make this a successful event. This fundraiser directly benefits the school and helps with upgrades for the 25/26 school year. We need help to cover 1 hour shifts working the day of the event. Please scan the QR code to sign up or call the school office to claim a shift.

We will also be having the famous envelope, "Give a Little" fundraiser with the winner being drawn at 4:00 pm during the Spring Fling. Pay the amount shown on the numbered envelope. For every \$10 you spend, you will receive 1 raffle ticket. Example: Ticket #47 pays \$47, Ticket #121 pays \$121. Tickets need to be present at 4:00 pm to claim the prize.

-1st Place: \$3,000 OR 1 Free 25/26 Student Tuition -2nd Place: \$1,750 OR 1/2 off 25/26 Student Tuition -3rd Place: \$875 or 1/4 off 25/26 Student Tuition

Tickets are for sale in the school office, online following the QR Code, or after Masses during the upcoming weekends. Envelopes purchased online will receive their raffle tickets at the registration table the day of Spring Fling.

DONATIONS NEEDED!

Drop them off in the school or church office.

- -Dessert for Silent Dessert Auction—scan QR Code to sign up to donate or call the office to let them know you plan on donating an auction dessert.
- -Small Kids game prizes
- -Beer, any type
- —Cayman Jack
- —Small denomination gift cards for I Dood It prizes
- —Candy (that will not melt if hot)

Call the school office to sign up for the Bags or Washers Tournament. Price, \$40 ahead of time to reserve a spot for your team or \$50 to sign up during the spring fling. Winning Teams from each



Scan Me To Help Work Spring Fling

a \$100 prize.



event will receive Scan Me to Purchase An Envelope # Online



Scan Me To Sign Up For Dessert Auction Donation

Parishioner Information

(New Members & Changes)

NAME				
ADDRESS				
TELEPHONE				
E-MAIL				
Please check the appropriate item(s):				
New Parishioner	Send Envelopes			
New Phone—Email	New Baby			
Change of Address	Leaving Parish			