

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**"WE MUST STRIVE TO BE A  
MISSIONARY CHURCH, ONE  
THAT BUILDS BRIDGES,  
ONE THAT EMBRACES  
DIALOGUE, AND ONE  
THAT WELCOMES ALL  
WITH OPEN ARMS."**

**POPE LEO XIV**



***"Love one another." John 13:34***

## **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)  
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618-377-6519 Fax: 618-377-9550  
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Bea Albarado

## **PARISH SCHOOL**

Mrs. Kim Knight, Principal,  
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618-377-6401 Fax: 618-377-6146  
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<https://www.olqpbethalto.org>

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Bethalto Council #4688,  
4th Degree #203  
Grand Knight: Luke Kistner  
[bethaltoknight@gmail.com](mailto:bethaltoknight@gmail.com)  
[www.bethaltoknights.org](http://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.....	May 18
OLQP Last Day of School.....	May 20
Ladies Sewing Group.....	May 21
Saints & Suds.....	May 22
Bible Study Group.....	May 28
Community 55 Luncheon.....	June 12
Baby Bottle Campaign Concludes.....	June 15

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

### Mass Intentions



<b>Sat., May 17</b> 4:30 pm	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Maria Timpe
<b>Sun., May 18</b> 8:30 am 10:30 am	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> Tom DeClue, Jr. For the Parishioners
<b>Mon., May 19</b> 8:30 am	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Paul Gehrs
<b>Tues., May 20</b> 8:30 am	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Mary Powell
<b>Wed., May 21</b> 6:30 pm	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Jill Lefringhouse
<b>Thur., May 22</b> 8:30 am	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Darlene, Victor, Gladys Huebener & Mary & Ivan Cremeens
<b>Fri., May 23</b> 8:30 am	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Margaret Niebrugge
<b>Sat. May 24</b> 4:30 pm	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Vi Perkhiser
<b>Sun., May 25</b> 8:30 am 10:30 am	<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b> Theresa Mayhall For the Parishioners

### Do You Know Your Faith?

- Who did the Apostles pick to replace Judas?  
A. St. Matthew B. St. Matthias C. St. Mark
- How was he picked?  
A. 2/3rds vote B. Simple majority  
C. Casting lots
- How did Judas die?
- What was Judas paid for betraying Jesus?
- After what day does Easter end?  
A. Pentecost B. Ascension Thursday  
C. Baptism of the Lord

**Fr. Tom**

### Many Thanks!!

To all who participated in the Spring Fling. We had a fun day and our profit was approximately \$14,000. We sincerely appreciate everyone's support!

**Spring Fling Committee**

### Prayer Requests



**The sick:** Conor Vogel, Keita Salantai, Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite Hufker, Brooke Randolph Carden, Brittany Witt, Greg Weber, 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.**

### 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 28.** Join us anytime! Questions, please call Cindy Stutz, 618-741-4452 or Linda Zacha, 618-377-5725.

### KC Chicken Dinner—Today

**Sunday, May 18, 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. Proceeds go to K of C Charities/OLQP Parish. For carry out or drive thru, enter from Prairie Street into the school parking lot.**



### Baby Bottle Campaign

We will again participate in the Annual Baby Bottle Campaign for **Thrive** (formerly *Arms of Love*). Bottles can be picked up at the entrances of the church. Just fill them with your spare change, and they will be picked up after the weekend of June 14-15. All donations are greatly appreciated!

### CONGRATULATIONS!!



To these PSR students who recently received their First Reconciliation with Father Tom.

Pictured are:

**Charlie Bargiel  
Cole Nichols  
Lyla Certa**

### Sunday Offerings

Week 45	5/10/25—5/11/25	Total to Date
Loose	\$417.00	\$31,903.75
Envelopes	\$8,222.00	\$443,512.02
On Line Giving	\$2,952.61	\$156,398.24
Young People	\$1.00	\$74.59
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,592.61</b>	<b>\$631,888.60</b>
Operating Budget	\$15,391.25	\$692,606.25
Tithe to Diocese	\$1,500.00	\$67,500.00
<b>Difference</b>	<b>(\$5,298.64)</b>	<b>(\$128,217.65)</b>

**Total Envelopes Received: 97  
Online Donations: 45  
Centennial Campaign Donations: \$995.44  
Other Charitable Donations: \$555.22**



May 18, 2025

## Liturgical Ministers

May 24 & 25

4:30 pm

Rosary	Bill Stutz
Lector	Liz Laurent
E. Ministers	Bob Sulsberger, Teresa Toner
Ushers	JoEllyn Patterson, Fran Nappier Brian and Mary Stacks
Servers	Addison Villalobos, Josie Hagaman
Music	Folk Group

8:30 am

Rosary	Carol Beste
Lector	Paula Mattix-Wand
E. Ministers	Ruth Baugh, Jennie McCauley
Ushers	Jim & Theresa Stephens Joe Grabowski, Steve Norris
Servers	Ellie & Carson Williams
Music	Craig & Cantors

10:30 am

Lector	Luke Kistner
E. Ministers	Lee Gonterman, Dee Oller
Ushers	Rick Eveans, Greg Budde Brad & Teri Fulk
Servers	Layne Frisch, Nora Militello
Music	Praise Team

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### SCRIP Sellers, May 24 & 25

4:30 Debbie Zacha

8:30 Mary Cain

10:30 Brenda Zacha

### Unplanned pregnancy?

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

### 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.

### Notice

To report allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by clergy, even if it is in the past, individuals are encouraged to call the Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation number (217)321-1155.

### Mark Your Calendar!

Saints & Suds will be held on  
**Thursday, May 22** in the church basement.

### SAVE THE DATE!

**Put your knowledge of holiday movies to the test!** Join us at the Jerseyville KC Hall July 19, 7—11 pm for **Christmas in July Trivia**. Doors open 6 pm. \$20/person and tables hold a team of 6 or 8. Bring your own snacks, soda is provided and alcohol is available for purchase. Cash prizes for the first place winner, ugliest sweater and best table decorations. Other activities include raffle baskets and a 50/50 drawing. Proceeds support Madison County Catholic Charities, a non-profit organization serving Jersey, Calhoun, Madison and Bond Counties. For tickets, call (618) 462-0634, ext. 221.

### A Meditation on the Readings...

*'God's Love Has Been Poured Into our Hearts'*

The distinctive mark of every disciple and follower of Jesus Christ is love - a love that is ready to forgive and forget past injuries, to heal and restore rather than inflict revenge and injury. The cross of Jesus is the only way to pardon, peace, forgiveness, and reconciliation. Every other way will fail or fall short of the glory and victory which Jesus Christ has won for us through his death and resurrection. If we embrace his love and truth and allow his Holy Spirit to purify and transform our hearts and minds, then we will find the inner freedom, joy, and strength we need to love without measure, to forgive without limit, and to serve without reward - save that of knowing we are serving the One who wants to be united with us in an unbreakable bond of peace and joy forever.

**"Lord Jesus, your love knows no bounds and surpasses everything I could desire and long for. Fill me with the fire of your love and with the joy of your Holy Spirit that I may freely serve my neighbor with loving-kindness, tenderhearted mercy, and generous care for their well-being."**

(This reflection is courtesy of Don Schwager@2025.  
Don's website is located at [Dailyscripture.net](http://Dailyscripture.net))

### Can You Help?

The Kerkemeyer family is looking for occasional weekend help for Joan Kerkemeyer in her home, Friday night thru Sunday night, 6 pm. She needs assistance with activities of daily living and someone to sit with her. If interested, contact Ramona Berry at 618-917-6391.

### Marquette Youth Summer Camp Program

Marquette Catholic High School is hosting a series of summer athletic camps for area youth. Parents may register and pay online at [www.marquettecatholic.org/summercamps](http://www.marquettecatholic.org/summercamps). The sports camps include: football, soccer, basketball, tennis, baseball, softball, volleyball, cross country, track and theatre. Marquette has a long-standing tradition of successful athletic programs that routinely win regional and sectional championships and have had several teams qualify for the state finals or win state championships. Each camper will receive a t-shirt and individual instruction. Register today! For questions, contact the Athletic Office at 618-463-0583.

### Do You Know Your Faith Answers

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|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1) St. Matthias    | 2) Casting lots        |
| 3) He hung himself | 4) 30 pieces of silver |
| 5) Pentecost       |                        |

### Kings House Retreat

**"God First Loved Us"**, Retreats begin on Fridays at 4 pm and conclude Sundays at 1 pm, Starting September 12, 2025 through May 1, 2026. This new retreat delves into Pope Francis' latest encyclical, *Dilexit Nos* (meaning "He loved us"), a beautiful meditation on the human and divine love of Christ. Using the heart as a symbol of the core of the person, this retreat will explore the Holy Father's description of Sacred Heart devotion, focusing on how we can find healing, comfort, inspiration and community in our contemplation of the love emanating from the Heart of Jesus. Minimum donation: \$250 per person (includes lodging and meals).