

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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21st Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 16:18-19

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PARISH OFFICE

Hours: Monday—Thursday,

8:30—4:00 pm (Lunch 12-1)

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bethalto Council #4688,

4th Degree #203

Grand Knight: Blake Marth

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COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND

1st Friday of each month.

Call the parish office to request .

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:30-4:15pm,

And by appointment.

MASS SCHEDULE

-Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays:

8:30 am;

-Wednesdays: 6:30 pm;

-Saturdays: 4:30 pm; Sundays: 8:30 & 10:30 am

COMING OUR WAY....

Men's Bible Study.....	August 25
First Day OLQP Preschool 4/3.....	August 25/26
OLQP/St. Ambrose Men's Group.....	August 26
Morning Bible Study Group	August 26
Ladies Sewing Group.....	September 2
I DOOD IT—Bethalto Homecoming.....	September 4-7
OCIA Classes Begin.....	September 9
Community 55.....	September 10
PSA Family Fun Night	September 11
Annual Parish Pig Roast.....	September 26

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Sat., Aug. 22 4:30 pm	Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Melba Friedel
Sun., Aug. 23 8:30 am 10:30 am	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time For the Parishioners Marie Zakrzewski
Mon., Aug. 24 8:30 am	St. Bartholomew George Wilson
Tues., Aug. 25 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Don & Elizabeth Lindner
Wed., Aug. 26 6:30 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time Joy Lamar
Thur., Aug. 27 8:30 am	St. Monica Marie Zakrzewski
Fri., Aug. 28 8:30 am	St. Augustine Nancy Horman
Sat., Aug. 29 4:30 pm	The Passion of St John the Baptist Jody Batson
Sun., Aug. 30 8:30 am 10:30 am	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time For the Parishioners Bev & Meredith Wilson

Prayer Requests

The sick: . Conor Vogel, Keita Salantai, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Brooke Randolph Carden, Greg Weber, Kristin Brunstein, Jim Begnel, Mike Toner, Liz Stutz, Rob Helmkamp, Lynn Bertels, Norm Frisch, Tim Barton, Emilee Baalman, Bob Randolph, William Richter, Daryl Walker, Bill Timpe, Neil Friedel, Jim Laurent, Fr. Tom Liebler, Jim Johnson, Marsha Kulp, Bill Johnson, Lucie Hale, Ray Meyer, Peggy Jo Batson, Tom Bandy, Theo McAfoos, Carol O'Toole, Marsha Culp, Davis Nelson, Susan Hilker, Eric Garner, Susie Davis, Mary Harshbarger, Dorothy Visser, Tom Rood, Carolyn Scheller. **For prayer requests in the bulletin, call parish office, 377-6519. Prayer requests email prayer chain, Marie at rejoy128@gmail**



Calling All Military and First Responders

Twenty Fifth Anniversary of 911 Mass to honor all present and past military and first responders including law enforcement officers, paramedics, firefighters and military. Open to parishioners, community members, first responders and military regardless of your faith tradition.

Thursday, September 10, 2026 at 6:00 pm

**Ss Peter and Paul Parish 717 State Street
Alton, Illinois**

Named for the color of uniforms worn by many first responder, the BLUE MASS is a longstanding tradition in the Catholic Church to offer prayers for law enforcement officers, firefighters, paramedics, and all public safety professionals, both retired and active duty. Dress uniforms encouraged.

Sponsored by: Knights of Columbus Pere Marquette

Attention Men of the Parish

All men, 18 y/o and up, St. Ambrose along with OLQP Parish, 7 pm-8:15 pm. Questions, contact Rick Eveans: wewesley@yahoo.com, 618-246-6746. **Next: 8/26**

Do You Know Your Faith?

(Answers begin with 'E')

1. What is the Bishops of the Church as a body called?
2. What word is interpreted as "God with us"?
3. What is the term for an image of our Lord, often the head only, crowned with thorns?
4. St. Paul used this word to denote the building up of the Mystical body of Christ by the diverse gifts of the Holy Spirit.
5. Those chosen by God either for the grace of faith or for eternal glory.

Fr. Tom

Community 55

Come join us for a sandwich luncheon on Thursday, Sept. 10, at 11:30 a.m., It will take place at the OLQP Pavilion (or in the church basement if the weather doesn't cooperate). The cost will be approximately \$10. R.S.V.P. to Kris Magee (377-2782) or sign up on the OLQP Church Facebook page by Sunday, Sept. 6.

Can You Help?

Would you like to spend an hour before our Lord? The Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George will be renovating and as a result fewer sisters are available to cover hours for Fall 2026-Fall 2027. Our hours of operation are presently at 6:30am to 8pm every day of the week so we need your help to keep the adoration chapel open to the public for the usual schedule. If you are interested or want to find out more information, please email sacristan@altonfranciscans.org or call Sister M. Benedicta at 618-463-2759 (Sacristan Office). If you leave a message, please give your name, phone number, email and parish. We welcome you to make a visit now to receive the indulgence for the Year of St. Francis. Thank you and God bless you!



40 DAYS FOR LIFE

You are invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40 day vigil in the public right of way outside the Hope Clinic, Granite City. Our parish has adopted **Wednesday September 23, 7am-7pm**, 2 people an hour to stand at the clinic in Peaceful Prayer. To be a part of this spiritual exercise, contact Jim Albarado 618-623-9325. Thank you in advance. For more info visit www.40daysgc.com

Sunday Offerings

Week 7	8/15/26-8/16/26	Total to Date
Loose Envelopes	\$629.00	\$4,126.40
On Line Giving	\$9,680.00	\$71,211.48
Total	\$4,335.42	\$25,468.73
	\$14,644.42	\$100,806.61
Operating Budget	\$17,524.00	\$122,668.00
Tithe to Diocese	\$1,675.00	\$11,725.00
Difference	(\$4,554.58)	(\$33,586.39)

Total Envelopes Received: 104

Online Donations: 51

Centennial Campaign Donations: \$490.00

Other Charitable Donations: \$800.00

August 23, 2026

Liturgical Ministers

August 29-30, 2026

4:30 pm

Rosary	Teresa Toner
Lector	Liz Laurent
E. Ministers	Judy Osborne, Sandy Wilson
Ushers	JoEllyn Patterson, Fran Nappier
	Brian & Mary Stacks
Servers	Addison Villalobos, Hudson Hall
Music	Barb/ Kathy/ Tami

8:30 am

Rosary	Tim Zacha
Lector	Carol Beste
E. Ministers	Ruth Baugh, Jennie McCauley
Ushers	Raeann Summers, Steve Norris
	Jim & Judy Griffith
Servers	Ryder Williams, Aiden Belmonte
Music	Craig/ Kris/ Becky

10:30 am

Lector	Alyssa Smith
E. Ministers	Marge Kirby, Mary Terry
Ushers	Kathy Wilson, Diane Waldo
	Tim & Tammy Sasek
Servers	Hope Kistner, Elliott Perez
Music	Praise Team

SCRIP Sellers, August 29-30

4:30 Maryjo Flaherty

8:30 Susie Davis

10:30 Brenda Zacha

Save the Date

Annual Parish Pig Roast:
September 26

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.

WHAT IS OCIA?

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process established for the universal Church for individuals to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation — Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. This initiation process also involves a parish community experiencing a renewal in faith as it prepares and welcomes new members into the Church.

Who is OCIA for?

- Persons in need of Baptism.
- Persons baptized in another Christian tradition who desire to become Catholic.
- Persons baptized Catholic in need of First Communion and/or Confirmation.

Classes begin: September 9, 2026

If you know someone who might be interested, **please contact one of our OCIA Coordinators for more information:**

-Tim Zacha @ 618-567-4468, Tzac54@sbcglobal.net

-Jay McCurdy @ 217-827-1406,

jay@allied.constuction

Or the church office @ 618-377-6519

'I DOOD IT'

IDoodIt is just two weeks away! We are still in need of the following, so please prayerfully consider them:

Coordinators for the stand for Sunday, September 6 - please contact Tammy Sasek at 618-792-7041 or Sam & Angie Waldo at 618-580-8725 with questions or to volunteer (no experience required - experienced chairpeople will teach you)

Shift workers for the stand Labor Day weekend - sign up sheets will be available after the Masses on the last two weekends of August and online signup is available now - see code to scan.

Stand set up and disassembly workers on the evenings of Thursday, September 3 and/or Monday, September 7 - please contact Sam Waldo at 618-580-8725 to volunteer



IDoodIt Signup

PSA Family Fun Night - Stars, Stripes & Summer Nights Open to all SCHOOL and CHURCH FAMILIES

Join us for one last summer memory at our PSA Family Fun Night on Friday, September 11, 2026, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the OLQP Pavilion.

Bring the whole family for an evening of patriotic fun, including red, white, and blue family relay races, faith-inspired sidewalk chalk art, bubbles, a lemonade stand, and a festive photo backdrop to capture the memories. Please RSVP to the school office by emailing cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org or calling 618-377-6401.

OLQP SCHOOL Prayer Partners needed

We're looking for prayer partners to support our students through prayer this school year. Each prayer partner will be paired with an anonymous student and asked to pray one rosary a week for that student. You can commit to one week, one month, or the whole year. You won't know the student's identity, but your prayers can make a lasting difference in their life and faith journey. If you feel called to be a prayer partner, please contact Angie Waldo 618-567-2937. Thank you for helping surround our students with the gift of prayer this school year.

ATTENTION: TEACHER NEEDED

PSR begins Wednesday, **Sept. 30th** with mass at 6:30 pm for the 2026-2027 session. Registration will be set up outside after mass on Sat. & Sun. on **Sept. 5th & 6th, 12th & 13th**.

We are in need of a 3rd/4th grade teacher as well as several subs. Contact Ruth Baugh at 618-973-6786 or you may register at the OLQP Parish Office.

Marquette Mega Raffle

Tickets are on sale for the MCHS annual \$50,000 Mega Raffle! Tickets can be purchased online by going to www.marquettecatholic.org/megaraffle or contact the Development office at 618-463-0585 ext. 1. Don't miss your chance at winning \$62,000 total in cash prizes! Six early bird drawings for \$1,000 each will be drawn on the following dates: 8/15, 8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 9/11, & 9/18. Thank you to Carrollton Bank and Liberty Bank for your support of our early bird drawings! Buy early for more chances to win!

Do You Know Your Faith Answers

1. Episcopacy
2. Emmanuel
3. Ecce Homo
4. Edification
5. The Elect