OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Our Annual Smorgasbord & Bazaar Is This Sunday, December 8



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..

Annual Parish Smorgasbord & Bazaar	December 8
Advent Evening Prayer	
Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation Masses	
Toy Drive Pickup	
Prayer Group	
RCÍA & PSR Classes	
Community 55 Luncheon	
Breakfast With Santa	
Advent Evening Prayer	
Deadline to Order SCRIP for Christmas	

Second Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions			
Sat., Dec. 7	St. Ambrose		
4:30 pm	Vi Perkhiser		
Sun., Dec. 8	Second Sunday of Advent		
8:30 am	For the Parishioners		
10:30 am	Theresa Barton		
Mon., Dec. 9	Immaculate Conception of Mary		
8:30 am	Charles & Judy Hockstra		
6:30 pm	For the Parishioners		
Tues., Dec. 10	Advent Weekday		
8:30 am	Toni Stanford		
Wed., Dec. 11 6:30 pm	Advent Weekday Emma Louise Price Parker		
Thur., Dec. 12 8:30 am	Our Lady of Guadalupe Mary Powell		
Fri., Dec. 13 8:30 am	St. Lucy Rosemary Barron		
Sat., Dec. 14	St. John of the Cross		
4:30 pm	Vi Perkhiser		
Sun., Dec. 15 8:30 am 10:30 am	Third Sunday of Advent For the Parishioners Jerry and Theresa Barton		

Prayer Requests

The sick: Conor Vogel, Keita Salantai, Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite Hufker, Maxine Calhoon, Peggy Ruhmann, Audrey Wolff, 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 Johne Rider, Garrett Hardin, Patty Eichen, Rita

son, Lesie Rider, Garrett Hardin, Patty Eichen, Rita Smith, Marvin Bonner, Joseph Batson, Cherie Buell, Nancy Horman, Lynn Bertels, Patty Hall. For prayer requests in the bulletin, call parish office, 377-6519. Prayer requests email prayer chain, Marie at rejoy128@gmail.

Purchase Scrip for Christmas!!!

This is a **free and convenient way** to help our parish. If you purchase a \$25 gift card, we give you a \$25 gift card for the business of your choice (within the program). The church then, earns a percentage of the purchase.

We currently have the following SCRIP in smaller denominations, just for the holidays:

Wal Mart—\$10; Target—\$10; Starbucks—\$5, \$10 ;Panera—\$5, \$10

Are you not quite sure which gift card to purchase for someone? We offer 'generic' gift cards in any amount.

Go to: Raiseright.com to see a listing of over 500 available brands we can order. Also, we keep 40 retailers in stock for immediate purchase, which includes these local restaurants: Roma's, Geno's 140 Club, Laux Brickhouse and Dairy Queen. Our final order before Christmas will be Monday, December 16. SCRIP may also be purchased online and loaded right onto your smartphone. To set up an account, you will need the Enrollment Code below. Questions, call the parish office, 618-377-6519. Enrollment code:FF1ECBD61859

Do You Know Your Faith?

True or False—

- 1. Emmanuel means "God is coming near".
- 2. The proper liturgical color for Advent is Blue.
- 3. St. Nicholas was a Catholic Bishop.
- Good King Wenceslaus was born on the Feast of Christmas.
- 5. "Silent Night" was written by Fr Joseph Mohr, an Austrian Priest.

Fr.Tom

Evening Prayer—Please Come

We are having **'Evening Prayer'** every Sunday night, 7 pm, in the church, through the season of Advent. Come make this advent special and prayerful for you.

CHRISTMAS WONDERLAND

Mom's club has decorated a tree for OLQP in Alton's "Christmas Wonderland" light display. Please go vote for it. You will be handed a ballot at the entrance and they will collect the ballot at the exit of the light display. OLQP is tree number 7. The display is open now through 12/29/24. Mom's club can win up to \$300 to go towards their projects they want to complete around the parish. The cost to enter the light display is just a donation (suggested donation is \$10).

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation

This year we celebrate this Feast Day on **Monday, December 9**.

Masses will be 8:30 am and 6:30 pm.



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ATTENTION LECTORS

If you did not get a Lectors Workbook for the new year yet, we now have more copies available in the sacristy.

NEXT PRAYER GROUP

December 10, 6 pm, in church. Everyone welcome!!!
Bring Your Bibles!

Sunday Offerings			
Week 21 & 22	11/23/24—12/1/24	Total to Date	
Loose	\$1,469.00	\$11,868.72	
Envelopes	\$17,248.00	\$196,528.12	
On Line Giving	\$5,201.78	\$80,143.52	
Young People	\$2.00	\$29.20	
Total	\$23,920.78	\$288,569.56	
Operating Budget	\$30,782.50	\$338,607.50	
Tithe to Diocese	\$3,000.00	\$33,000.00	
Difference	(\$9,861.72)	(\$83,037.94)	

Total Envelopes Received (2 weeks): 226
Online Donations: (2 weeks) 69
Building Maintenance Fund Donations: \$547.00
Other Charitable Donations: \$790.00

Liturgical Ministers

December 14 & 15

4:30 pm

Teresa Toner Rosary Lector Pat Beiermann

E. Ministers Sandy Wilson, Joe Gulash Mike Magee, Bob Sulsberger Ushers Angie Reilley, Pat Holbrook Mya Bequette, Camryn Friedel Servers

Barb/Cantors Music

8:30 am

Sharon Pritchett Rosarv Lector Susie Davis

E. Ministers Sharon Pritchett, Carol Beste

John & Dan Stutz Ushers Paul & Cindy Stutz Ryder & Ellie Williams Servers

Music Folk Group

10:30 am

Lector Sonya Hagaman

E. Ministers Amy Frisch, Anthony Dance

Ushers Lee & Janet Friedel

Brad & Teri Fulk

Servers Ellie Waldo, Brinley DeVries

Music Praise Team

SCRIP Sellers, Dec. 14 & 15

4:30 Linda Zacha 8:30 Cindy Stutz 10:30 Sharon Gonterman

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.

Breakfast with Santa

12/14/24, School Gym 9-10:30AM. \$15/Child or \$35/ family. Price includes: full breakfast, craft, meet & greet with Santa, picture with Santa. Reservations due by 12/12/24. Call the school office (618-377-6401 Or email Mrs. Knight (kknight@olqpbethalto.org).

Save the Date!

Catholic Women's Prayer Breakfast Saturday, March 22, St. Paul Church, Highland. Registration to open in January.

December Community 55

Thursday, December 12, in the church basement at 11:15 a.m. It will be a time of fellowship and cheer. We will be entertained by the OLQP School choir before sharing a hearty, catered lunch. The cost is \$15 per person. Please text or call Kris Magee (377-2782) to RSVP or sign up on the OLQP Church Facebook page by Monday, December 9. Hope to see you there!

Online Contributions Conversion

If you currently make donations online through **Give Central**, please close the givecentral account and create a new acthrough **Give Central**, please close the givecentral account and create a new account in **Pushpay**, using the QR code here. If you have any problems/questions, call the parish office, 377-6519.



2025 OLQP Parish/School Dinner Auction

Mark your calendars for Feb 8, 2025.

This year's theme is "Tailgating" with more details to come. The dinner auction will once again be in the school, the caterer selected for this year is Moonlight. WE **NEED YOUR HELP WITH DONATIONS!!** We are posting a donation challenge each week in order to provide some ideas. This week's challenge: Get together with friends and put a theme basket/bundle together.

Consider adding "OLQP Auction" to your Christmas buying list. Questions, call Amy Frisch, 618-444-7715 or the school office, 618-377-6401.

Knights of Columbus Vocation Raffle

Purchase tickets from a KC Member or go online to: https://grco.de/vocation23 and enter 4688 for the council number. Thank you for helping us support vocations in our parish!

Community Hope Center Toy Drive

LAST CALL! Donation barrels are in the back of church. Purchase new, unwrapped toys for boys or girls, ages 1-12. Barrels picked up 12/10. Thanks!

Poinsettia Memorials



Would you like to donate a Poinsettia to decorate our church sanctuary at Christmas in memory of a loved one? Just drop the name for the memorial, your name and the \$10 donation to the parish office (or in

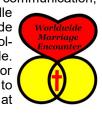
the collection basket) no later than Thursday, Dec. 19.

Way of Lights **National Shrine of** Our Lady of the Snows

Now through December 31, 5—9 pm nightly. The Way of Lights display using over 1.5 million beautiful lights. depicts the journey of Mary and Joseph as they travel to Bethlehem. There is no charge for the display, only donations accepted and additional charges for some activities. More info: https://snows.org/wayoflights

Let Jesus Feed Your Marriage!

Renew your Sacrament, deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, and rekindle your romance by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The following upcoming weekends are available. Sign-up now as space is limited! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.



1/31/25—2/2/25, St. Peters, Missouri 4/4/25—4/6/25, St. Peters, Missouri

Do You Know Your Faith Answers

- 1. False. It means "God is with us."
- False. It is violet. 2.
- 3. True.
- 4. False. He was born on the Feast of Steven
- 5. True.