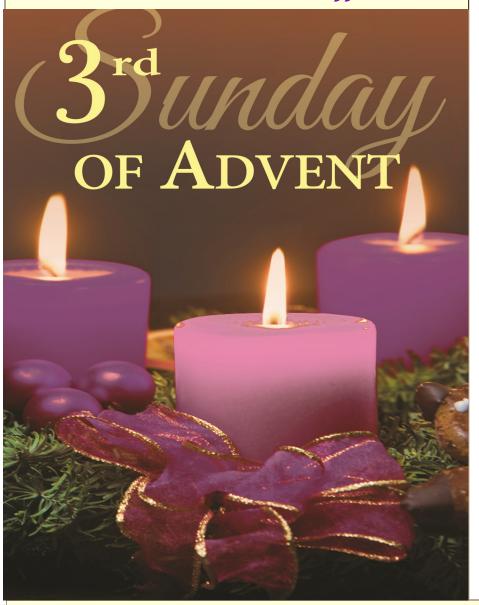
OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near. Philippians 4:4-5



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

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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...

Advent Evening Prayer	December 15
RCIA & PSR Classes	December 18
Deadline to Order SCRIP for Christmas	December 16
Advent Evening Prayer	December 22
Masses for Christmas Eve, 4:30 pm and 9:00 pm	
Masses for Christmas Day, 9:00 am	December 25
Prayer Group	January 14
OLQP Parish & School Dinner Auction	

Third Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions

Sat., Dec. 14 St. John of the Cross

4:30 pm Vi Perkhiser

Sun., Dec. 15 Third Sunday of Advent 8:30 am For the Parishioners

10:30 am Theresa Barton and Jerry Barton

Mon., Dec. 16 Advent Weekday

8:30 am Charles & Judy Hockstra

Tues., Dec. 17 Advent Weekday 8:30 am Vi Perkhiser

Wed., Dec. 18 Advent Weekday 6:30 pm Jack McCurdy

Thur., Dec. 19 8:30 am Advent Weekday Charles Calhoon Fri., Dec. 20 Advent Weekday

8:30 am Heidi Calhoon
Sat Dec 21 Advent Weekday

Sat., Dec. 21 Advent Weekday 4:30 pm Brad Baker

Sun., Dec. 22 Fourth Sunday of Advent 8:30 am For the Parishioners

10:30 am Wilbert Saul

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 Johnson, 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.

Last Call to

Order Scrip before Christmas!!!

Our last order for Christmas will go in this

Monday, December 16. Call the parish office asap with
your order! 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

- The Immaculate Conception & the Annunciation are the same.
- 2. The Immaculate Conception is the Patronal Feast Day of the USA.
- 3. The Archangel Raphael gave the message to Mary that she would be the Mother of God.
- 4. Mary did not die before the Assumption.
- After Jesus died on the cross, St. Peter took care of Mary.

Father 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).

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

We will resume January 14, 2025 at 6 pm, in church. Everyone welcome!!! Bring Your Bibles!

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**.

Sunday Offerings		
Week 23	12/7/24—12/8/24	Total to Date
Loose	\$441.00	\$12,309.72
Envelopes	\$10,078.00	\$206,606.12
On Line Giving	\$2,717.27	\$82,860.79
Young People	\$1.00	\$30.20
Total	\$13,237.27	\$301,806.83
Operating Budget	\$15,391.25	\$353,998.75
Tithe to Diocese	\$1,500.00	\$34,500.00
Difference	(\$3,653.98)	(\$86,691.92)

Total Envelopes Received: 116
Online Donations: 37
Building Maintenance Fund Donations: \$485.44
Other Charitable Donations: \$1,035.22

Liturgical Ministers

December 21 & 22

4:30 pm

Rosary Terri Zykan Dale Osborne Lector Joe & Mary Gulash E. Ministers

JoEllyn Patterson, Fran Nappier Ushers

Brian and Mary Stacks Rowan Scott, Tinsley Busse Servers

Craig/Kathy/Tami Music

8:30 am

Rosarv Joe Grabowski Lector Carol Beste

E. Ministers Kim Brunstein, Susie Davis

Ushers Tim & Kathy Phillips Jim & Judy Griffiths

Abe Diericx, Camryn Friedel Servers

Music Barb/Kris/Becky

10:30 am

Lector Noah Crump

E. Ministers Lee Gonterman, Shelia Smith Ushers Kathy Wilson, Diane Waldo

Tim and Tammy Sasek Jemma Dorsey, Layne Frisch

Servers Music Praise Team

SCRIP Sellers, Dec. 21 & 22

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 618-466-1690or text: FREETEST4U to (618) 280-2040.

Save the Date!

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

Online Contributions Conversion

If you currently make donations online through **Give Central**, please close the give-central 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.





Mass Schedule

Christmas, December 24-25:

Tuesday, Dec. 24: 4:30 pm, 9:00 pm Wednesday, Dec. 25: 9:00 am

Solemnity of Mary, December 31-Jan. 1

Tuesday, Dec. 31: 4:30 pm Wednesday, Jan. 1: 8:30 am, 10:30 am

Smorgasbord & Bazaar-A Huge Success!!!

MANY, MANY THANKS to everyone who contributed in any way to our Annual Smorgasbord & Bazaar. We made a record profit of \$12,228.07!!!!

Cash Raffle Winners: \$500.00—Melissa Fox; \$250.00—Elaine & Dan Wyhs; \$100.00—Tamara Bruhn; \$100.00—Marilee Webb; \$50.00—Judy Long. <u>Craft Raffle Winners</u>: Yellow/Green Quilt—Elaine & Dan Wyhs; Large Quilt—Vi Meyer; Advent Calendar— Leo Mushill.

> Gross Receipts: \$ 14,312.07 Expenses: \$ 2,084.00 **Net Profit:** \$ 12,228.07

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

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 addition-



al charges for some activities. More info: https:// snows.org/wayoflights

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: Services: Ask your dentist, eye doctor, local garage, painter, mechanic, butcher, photographer, hair stylest, massage therapist, veterinarian, cleaning service, lawn service, car wash to donate a product, gift card or purchase an ad for our program.

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

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

- False. The Immaculate Conception is Mary's conception and the Annunciation is Jesus' conception.
- 2. True.
- 3. False. The Archangel Gabriel made the announcement.
- False. Mary died like any human being.
- False. St. John took care of Mary.