

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## 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](mailto:church@olqpbethalto.org)  
618-377-6519 Fax: 618-377-9550  
Office Manager: Terri Zyan  
Secretary/SCRIP Coordinator:  
Bea Albarado

## Parish School

Mrs. Kim Knight, Principal,  
[kknight@olqpbethalto.org](mailto:kknight@olqpbethalto.org)  
618-377-6401 Fax: 618-377-6146  
Chrissy Woodiel, Secretary:  
[cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org](mailto: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](mailto:bethaltoknight@gmail.com)  
[www.bethaltoknights.org](http://www.bethaltoknights.org)

## Communion to the Homebound

1st Friday of each month. Call the  
parish office to request.

## COMING OUR WAY...

Charismatic Prayer Group.....	December 12
Soul Core Exercise Class.....	December 13
Community 55 Luncheon & Gathering.....	December 14
KC Chicken Dinner.....	December 17
4th Sunday of Advent Mass, 4:30 pm.....	December 23
4th Sunday of Advent Masses, 8:30 am & 10:30 am.....	December 24
Christmas Eve Masses, 4:30 pm, 9:00 pm.....	December 24
Christmas Day Mass, 9:00 am.....	December 25

## Second Sunday of Advent

### Mass Intentions



<b>Sat., Dec. 9</b> 4:30 pm	<b>Advent Weekday</b> Robert Stutz
<b>Sun., Dec. 10</b> 8:30 am 10:30 am	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b> John Stutz For the Parishioners
<b>Mon., Dec. 11</b> 8:30 am	<b>Advent Weekday</b> Rosemary Barron
<b>Tues., Dec. 12</b> 8:30 am	<b>Our Lady of Guadalupe</b> Mary Cremeens, Darlene Huebener Victor and Gladys Huebener
<b>Wed., Dec. 13</b> 6:30 pm	<b>St. Lucy</b> Jack McCurdy
<b>Thur., Dec. 14</b> 8:30 am	<b>St. John of the Cross</b> Dale Johnson
<b>Fri., Dec. 15</b> 8:30 am	<b>Advent Weekday</b> Rosemary Barron
<b>Sat., Dec. 16</b> 4:30 pm	<b>Advent Weekday</b> James Pritchett
<b>Sun., Dec. 17</b> 8:30 am 10:30 am	<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b> For the Parishioners Alvin Kaufman

### Prayer Requests



**The sick:** Conor Vogel, Keita Salantai, Mary Wagner, Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite Hufker, Maxine Calhoun, Vi Perkhiser, Elli Wiemers, Toni Stanford, Peggy Ruhmann, Audrey Wolff, Lisa Curtis, Brooke Randolph Carden, Brittany Witt, Greg Weber, Pat Friedel, Kristin Brunstein, Jim Begnel, Bill Johnson, Janet Gross, Mike Toner, Susan Hilker, Jim Johnson, Clay Brueggeman, Brandon Pritchett, Lucie Hale, Clyde Dickman, Terri Chappell, Liz Stutz, Rita Dana Smith, Lori Pelan, Carla Klaustermeier, Rob Helmkamp, Stella Schultz, Theresa Barton. **For prayer requests in the bulletin, call the parish office, 377-6519. For prayer requests to the email prayer chain, send to Marie at [rejoy128@gmail.com](mailto:rejoy128@gmail.com).**

### AUCTION NEWS

Tickets on sale soon for this year's **Dinner Auction to be held Saturday, 4/13/24.**

The evening will be called **"OLQP Gameshow Showdown Dinner Auction"**. You will not want to miss your chance to live your dream of being a contestant in your favorite game show. You will be able to spin the "Price is Right" wheel and will also be able to purchase a chance to participate in "Let's Make A Deal" to select a door for a prize. We have many more fun surprises planned for the evening as well.

**We are in need of 2 people** to chair events still at the dinner auction. We need a chair to run the 50/50 drawing during the auction and then a chair to organize the needs for our VIP tables sold. If you are able to help, please call the school office ( 618-377-6401 ) or email ( [cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org](mailto:cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org) )

### Smorgasbord Results!

**MANY, MANY THANKS** to everyone who contributed in any way to our Annual Smorgasbord & Bazaar. The way that all our parishioners come together to make this day a success is amazing!

**Cash Raffle Winners:** \$500.00—Lindsay Autry; \$250.00—Barb Trejo; \$100.00—Jim Menke; \$100.00—Thelma Ruhmann; \$50.00—Michael Strong.

**Craft Raffle Winners:** Quilt—Audrey Wolff; Wooden Toys—Norm Frisch; Advent Calendar—Gorsage Family.

Gross Receipts: \$ 10,437.00

Expenses: \$ 3,573.65

**Net Profit:** \$ 6,863.35

### Purchase SCRIP For Christmas Gifts

**There is still time to get your gift cards for Christmas!** We are currently well stocked with over 30 different retailers available for purchase, ranging in value from \$5 to \$100. You can buy the cards after weekend Masses or in the parish office Monday thru Thursday (8:30-4:00 pm), until December 21. **Deadline to order for Christmas: Dec. 14.** Questions, call us in the office, 618-377-6519.

### Community 55

**Thursday, December 14, 11:30 am**, church basement. There are still some openings for Thursday's gathering. Please RSVP ASAP to Kris Magee, 618-377-2782.

### Flower Memorials



Memorial donations (\$10) to purchase poinsettias for the altar may be made to the parish office. Include the name for which the memorial is being made and by whom and drop it in the Sunday collection basket.

### Attention Ushers—Help is Needed!

We are in **need of 2 ushers** for **4:30 pm Christmas Eve Mass** AND **4 ushers** for the **9:00 pm Mass on Christmas Eve**. If you can help, please call the parish office, 618-377-6519 or email us at:

[church@olqpbethalto.org](mailto:church@olqpbethalto.org).

### KC Chicken Dinner

**Sunday, December 17, 11:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.**

Dine In, All-You-Care-to-Eat: \$12 Adults, \$6 Children (ages 5-10) Drive Thru or Carry Out: \$12 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.**

### Support a Lifetime of Service

Women and men religious have spent their lives serving others in prayer, ministry, education and care for those in need—usually for little or no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. As they age, they require essential care and medications. Please support them by giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your donation makes a difference for nearly 25,000 senior men and women religious. Please give generously.



**December 10, 2023**

# Liturgical Roles

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**4:30 pm December 16**  
 Rosary Teresa Toner  
 Lector Dale Osborne  
 E. Ministers Sandee Wilson, Carmen Graham  
 Ushers Mike Magee, Bob Sulsberger  
 Angie Reilly, Pat Holbrook  
 Servers Mya Bequette, Clayton Pritchett  
 Music Barb/Kris/Becky

**8:30 am December 17**  
 Rosary Joe Grabowski  
 Lector Joe Grabowski  
 E. Ministers Susan Gray, Kathy Phillips  
 Ushers Susie Davis, Carol Beste  
 Joe Grabowski, Ray Meyer  
 Servers Adult Volunteers  
 Music Barb/Kathy/Tami

**10:30 am December 17**  
 Lector Jeremy Crump  
 E. Ministers Deana McDonough, Brad Fulk  
 Ushers Kathy Wilson, Diane Waldo  
 Tim & Tammy Sasek  
 Servers Josie Buhs, Ben Cripps  
 Music Praise Team

## SCRIP Sellers, December 16 & 17

**4:30** Bea Albarado  
**8:30** Terri Zykan  
**10:30** Brenda Zacha

## Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples. More information/to apply, go to [wwme.org](http://wwme.org), or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317. 2/2/2024 - 2/4/2024, St. Peters, MO; 3/15/2024 - 3/17/2024, Cape Girardeau, MO; 4/5/2024 - 4/7/2024, St. Peters, MO

## SCRIP News

**Last Week's Sales: \$14,730.00**  
**SCRIP Featured this week: iTunes**  
**(Rebate—5%). \$15.00 & \$25.00 cards in stock.**

## Sunday Offerings

Week 23	12/2/23-12/3/23	Total to Date
Loose Envelopes	\$431.00	\$11,448.72
On Line Giving	\$9,721.00	\$220,756.82
Young People	\$4,670.00	\$71,945.00
Total	\$1.00	\$40.60
	\$14,823.00	\$304,191.14
Operating Budget	\$15,430.52	\$354,901.96
Tithe to Diocese	\$1,500.00	\$34,500.00
Difference	(\$2,107.52)	(\$85,210.82)

**Total Envelopes Received : 113**  
**Total Online Donations: 51**  
**Building Maintenance Fund Donations: \$415.00**  
**Other Charitable Donations: \$725.00**

## Are you or is someone you know facing an unplanned pregnancy?

Thrive Metro East can help! They have a team of medical staff and advocates that can walk with you step by step. Their services are no cost and kept confidential. No insurance needed. Call 618-466-1690 or text: **FREETEST4U** to **(618) 280-2040**.

## Rhine River Cruise

8-day Cruise (Amsterdam to Basel) plus optional Post 4-day stay at The Italian Lakes. June 17-24, 2025 Post Stay June 24-27 Cruise & Airfare - from \$3898/person meals included. Questions, **Amy Frisch 618-444-7715** or **Jack Baumann, Guidester, 314-503-7979** Email: [jack@guidester.com](mailto:jack@guidester.com)

## Charismatic Prayer Group

**December 12, 6:30 pm.** (Questions, Liz Laurent: 618-978-9849, [kirby735@charter.net](mailto:kirby735@charter.net))

## Military Mass

December Military Mass will be **Thursday, Dec. 14, 6:00 PM** at St. Peter and Paul Church in Alton. Please join us to pray for our active Military, Veterans, both living and deceased, their families and our nation.

## Soul Core

Spiritual and physical exercise, **Wednesdays, at 7 pm**, Enrichment Room. (Visit [soulcore.com](http://soulcore.com) for information or Kim Brunstein 618-980-0492.) Bring a workout mat.

## Catholic Children's Home

The mission of the Catholic Children's Home is to aid, protect and care for the needs, education and welfare of dependent, neglected, abused or otherwise hurting children and families without regard to poverty, riches, race, religion or national origin. Every year we depend on the Christmas Day collection as the most important part of our fundraising. What better day to remember the children who, through no fault of their own, are less fortunate than our own. Your monetary donation to the Catholic Children's Home is a wonderful way to ensure that we will continue to bring help to the most needy children and ensure that they have a brighter hope for the future.

## ADVENT MISSION

**Fill the Void: Mary, Mercy, and the Eucharist**

**St. Mary's Parish, Alton**

The Season of Advent is a time to "Begin Again." Liturgically, Advent marks the beginning of a new calendar year in the life of the Church. Spiritually, Advent is a period of preparation as we patiently await the birth of Jesus Christ. Hence, as we both prepare and wait, the Season of Advent reminds us that as men and women, we have a longing, a void for Jesus. For three nights, I invite you to make both time and space so that Christ can fill your void with three of the greatest gifts God has given to humanity: Mary, Mercy, and the Eucharist. Please join us each evening from December 12 – 14 beginning at 7:00pm in the church.

**Tuesday, December 12:** [Mary](#)  
**Wednesday, December 13:** [Mercy](#)

(Confessions after talk)

**Thursday, December 14:** [Eucharist](#)