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*They shall name him Emmanuel,
which means "God is with us."
— Matthew 1:23*



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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 SCHOOL

Mr. Steve Menke, Principal, 618-377-6401

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cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org

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PARISH OFFICE

Hours: Monday—Thursday, 8:30—4:00 pm

(closed 12-1 lunch) Email: church@olqpbethalto.org

Phone: 618-377-6519; Fax: 618-377-9550

Office Manager: Terri Zykan

Secretary/SCRIP Coordinator: Bea Albarado

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

Call parish office to request a hospital visit or the Sacrament of Anointing.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bethalto Council #4688, 4th Degree #203

Grand Knight: Ryan Frazier

Email: bethaltoknight@gmail.com;

Website: www.bethaltoknights.org

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays: 3:30 pm—4:15 pm & by appointment.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Currently suspended.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

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

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions

Sat., Dec. 17	Advent Weekday
4:30 pm	Noah Rogers (L)
Sun., Dec. 18	Fourth Sunday of Advent
8:30 am	Jerry Durbin
10:30 am	For the Parishioners
Mon., Dec. 19	Advent Weekday
8:30 am	Noah Rogers (L)
Tues., Dec. 20	Advent Weekday
8:30 am	Ed & Jean Pilgrim
Wed., Dec. 21	Advent Weekday
6:30 pm	Steve & Virginia Ostanik
Thur., Dec. 22	Advent Weekday
8:30 am	Rudy Papa
Fri., Dec. 23	Advent Weekday
8:30 am	Charles Calhoon
Sat., Dec. 24	Nativity of the Lord Vigil
4:30 pm	John Perkhiser
9:00 pm	For the Parishioners
Sun., Dec. 25	Nativity of the Lord
9:00 am	Ann Holmes

Prayer Requests

The sick: Conor Vogel, Keita Salantai, Mary Wagner, Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite Hufker, Maxine Calhoon, Gloria Matthews, Vi Perkhiser, Robert and Pauline Lange, Elli Wiemers, Toni Stanford, Peggy Ruhmann, Bea Albarado, Audrey Wolff, Lisa Curtis, Brooke Randolph Carden, Pam Kaizer, Karen Simpson, Jenniffer Stout, Brittany Witt, Greg Weber, Ken Mauro, Sandi Goodman, Lizzie Malmeyvik, Pat Friedel, Mary Friedel, Nancy Tiek, Kristin Brunstein, Mark Jordan, Kevin Saul, Deborah Walker, Ron & Renee Harshbarger, Joyce Ventimiglia. **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.**



Last Call—SCRIP For Christmas!

If you need any last minute gift cards, check with the parish office. We are open this week. Questions, give us a call, 377-6519.

Prayer Group

Next Gathering: January 10, 2023, 6:30 pm in church



Mass Schedule

Christmas, December 24-25:

Saturday, Dec. 24:

4:30 pm, 9:00 pm

Sunday, Dec. 25:

9:00 am

Solemnity of Mary, December 31-Jan. 1

Saturday, Dec. 31: 4:30 pm

Sunday, Jan. 1: 8:30 am, 10:30 am

Do You Know Your Faith? (The Old Testament)

1. From what land did Abraham come?
A. Oh B. Ur C. Ah
2. What was the name of Abraham's wife?
A. Sarah B. Ruth C. Naomi
3. How many plagues were placed on Egypt?
4. What was the first plague?
5. What was the idol that the Israelites made in the wilderness?

Fr. Tom

Parish Office Hours

Dec. 19, 2022 through Jan. 2, 2023

Dec. 19 through Dec. 22:	Open 8:30 am-4:00 pm
Dec. 26 through Dec. 27:	Closed
Dec. 28:	Open 8:30—4:00 pm
Dec. 29:	Closed
Jan. 2:	Closed

Resume regular hours Jan. 3



Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Pauline Lange**, parishioner. May God grant her eternal rest.



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.

We provide the following programs: *Special Education Day School; Residential Services for children who have been severely abused and neglected; Transitional Living Program for older adolescents; Independent Living Program.* These programs serve more than 100 children per year.

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 a brighter hope for their future.

World Marriage Day – Save the Date!

On **Sunday, February 12, 2023, at 2:30 pm.**, Auxiliary Bishop Mark S. Rivotuso will celebrate a Mass for World Marriage Day at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, 4431 Lindell Blvd. St. Louis, MO. A reception will follow in Bolland Hall. All married couples are invited to attend and celebrate the gift of marriage. World Marriage Day honors husband and wife as the foundation of the family – the basic unit of society. It emphasizes the faithfulness, sacrifice and joy of daily married life. World Marriage Day started in Baton Rouge, LA in 1981 and was later adopted by Worldwide Marriage Encounter who now is sponsoring this event on February 12th.

December 18, 2022

Liturgical Roles

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4:30 pm

Rosary
Lector
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Dec. 24

No Rosary
School Children
Kateri Dance, Tim Zacha
Brian Stacks, Tim Kallal
Joe & Cathy Gulash
School Children
Praise Team

Servers
Music

9:00 pm

Rosary
Lector
E. Ministers
Ushers

Dec. 24

No Rosary
Joe Grabowski
Paula Mattix-Wand
Loren & Raeann Summers
Paul & Cindy Stutz

Servers
Music

2 Volunteers Needed
Choir

9:00 am

Lector
E. Ministers
Ushers

Dec. 25

JoEllyn Patterson
Carol Beste, Jay McCurdy
Ron & Renee Harshbarger
Brenda & Brad Goodman

Servers
Music

2 Volunteers Needed
Folk Group

No SCRIP Sales Dec. 24-25

Sacrament of Confession

Father Tom will be available for Confession as follows:

Mon., Dec. 19: 7:45 am—8:15 am

Tues., Dec. 20: 7:45 am—8:15 am

Wed., Dec. 21: 5:30 pm—6:15 pm

Thurs., Dec. 22: 7:45 am—8:15 am

Fri., Dec. 23: 7:45 am—8:15 am

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Do You Know Your Faith Answers

1. B. The Land of Ur
2. A. Sarah
3. 10
4. Turning Moses' staff into a serpent
5. A Golden Calf

A Meditation

The following reflection is from One Bread, One Body courtesy of Presentation Ministries © 2022.

ROOM TO GROW

"God is with us . . ."

Matthew 1:23

In today's Gospel passage, we read about the Incarnation, God becoming man in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Word became flesh (Jn 1:14), was born, and bore abundant fruit. "Blest is the Fruit of [Mary's] womb," Jesus (Lk 1:42).

Each reception of Holy Communion bears a similarity to the Incarnation in that God enters a human body. This indwelling of the Lord is meant for our growth. The Body of Christ lives in us (see Jn 6:57). We are then stretched as this life of God begins to grow within us. As the life of God remains and grows within us, we are then to bear the fruit of God (Jn 15:5, 8).

In this final week before we celebrate the birth of the Lord Jesus, "prepare the way of the Lord" in your heart (Mt 3:3). Unlike the innkeeper of Bethlehem, who had no room for Jesus (Lk 2:7), open wide the doors of your life to Christ (see Rv 3:20). Is there no room in your life for Jesus? Then your life is too full! Get rid of the "stuff" that clutters your life. Simplify your lifestyle so there will be room for the Eucharistic life of the Lord to grow and bear fruit within you. "Let every heart prepare Him room."

Prayer: Father, You have given me the Bread from heaven (Jn 6:32) in the Eucharistic body of Your Son, Jesus. Give me the grace to change anything in my life so I can gladly receive Him in Holy Communion.

Promise: "Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ." —Rm 1:7

Praise: "O sacred Lord of ancient Israel, Who showed Yourself to Moses in the burning bush, Who gave him the holy law on Sinai mountain: come, stretch out Your mighty hand to set us free."

Parishioner Information

(New Members & Changes)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

Please check the appropriate item(s):

____ New Parishioner ____ Send Envelopes

____ New Phone—Email ____ New Baby

____ Change of Address ____ Leaving Parish

____ Wish Father to call ____ Illness in Family



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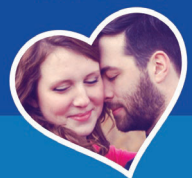


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