



Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church

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FEBRUARY
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Sixth Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

Brothers and sisters, whether you
eat or drink, or whatever you do,
do everything for the

GLORY OF GOD.

1 Corinthians 10:31

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

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

Currently suspended.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

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

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Currently suspended.

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

Fax: 618-377-6146, Email: smenke@olqpbethalto.org

Elaine Withers, School Secretary: ewithers@olqpbethalto.org

School website: <https://www.olqpbethalto.org/school/>

PARISH OFFICE

Hours: Monday—Thursday, 8:30—4:00 pm (closed 12-1 for lunch)

Email: church@olqpbethalto.org

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

Office Manager: Terri Zykan

Secretary/SCRIP Coordinator: Bea Albarado

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Sat., Feb. 13 4:30 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time Ken and Loretta Weber
Sun., Feb. 14 8:30 am 10:30 am	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Virginia Forehand For the Parishioners
Mon., Feb. 15 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time "Deceased Loved Ones"
Tues., Feb. 16 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Bob Stutz
Wed., Feb. 17 8:30 am 6:30 pm	Ash Wednesday John Glatz Jill Lefringhouse
Thur., Feb. 18 8:30 am	Thursday after Ash Wednesday Ray Matthews
Fri., Feb. 19 8:30 am	Friday after Ash Wednesday Maxine Calhoon (L)
Sat., Feb. 20 4:30 pm	Saturday after Ash Wednesday Bob Fuhler
Sun., Feb. 21 8:30 am 10:30 am	First Sunday of Lent Nick Gray & Margaret Woelfel For the Parishioners

Prayer Requests

 **The sick:** Conor Vogel, Keita Salantai, Mary Wagner, Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite Hufker, Dan McRae, Mary Overton, Don Laird, Maxine Calhoon, Gloria Matthews, Dianne Morin, Vi Perkhiser, Jane Rood, Bev Randolph, John Richter, Tim Zacha, Bob Maronie, Jennifer Price, Bob Graham, Kenneth Korsmeyer, Kennedy Stalcup. **For prayer requests in the bulletin, call the parish office, 377-6519. For prayer requests to be added to the email prayer chain, send requests to Marie at rejoy128@gmail.com**

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Lenten Fish Fry Starts This Week!

Our first Lenten Fish Fry will be **Friday, February 19**. Drive thru service will be from 4-7 PM in the church/school parking lot. There will be 4 fish options and 2 sides for \$10. Our fish options will include white fish, fried cod, buffalo, and catfish nuggets. All proceeds go to Our Lady Queen of Peace School. Please consider supporting us this Lenten season.



Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Louis Rexing**, brother of **Norm & Rosemary Rexing**, uncle to **Stephanie Gvillo and Mary Cain**. May God grant him eternal rest.



Dear Parishioners,

I would like to give you an update on the discussion that the priests of the diocese had with Bishop Paprocki on this past Tuesday about the time when he would re-institute the obligation to attend mass on Sunday. At the moment his thinking is to re-institute the obligation on Divine Mercy Sunday, which is the Sunday after Easter. He realizes that for many people this will seem to be too early in the recovery stage from the pandemic and he does not want people to feel they have to choose between the obligation and their personal concerns for their safety. Thus, he wants the pastors of the parishes to remind their people that the pastor has the authority to dispense any parishioner of their parish from the Sunday obligation. I will naturally be doing this for any parishioner who requests this dispensation, if and when the bishop removes the diocesan blanket dispensation. This dispensation from Sunday mass by the bishop was taken with the understanding that the dispensation was only temporary. His desire is to help people to return to mass as soon as it is no longer a health concern, but to also feel safe in doing so.

Father Tom

Masses for Ash Wednesday

February 17, 2021

8:30 am & 6:30 pm

Parish Food Pantry

Our Parish Food Pantry normal hours are Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30 am to 11:00 am. If you, or anyone you know, needs help from our pantry, please check in at the church office, who will then direct you to the pantry. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mary Ann Klunk or Mary Ann Magac. Thanks to all who support this much needed OLQP ministry!!



Sunday Offerings

Week 32	Feb. 6-7, 2021	Total to Date
Loose Envelopes	\$191.00	\$6,392.49
On Line Giving	\$10,458.00	\$277,722.16
Young People	\$3,653.00	\$85,391.00
Total	\$3.00	\$54.00
	\$14,305.00	\$369,559.65
Operating Budget	\$13,713.46	\$438,830.72
ACSA Budget	\$1,421.12	\$45,475.84
Difference	(\$829.58)	(\$114,746.91)
Envelopes received: 133 of 801 Building Maintenance Fund Donations: \$325.00 Other Charitable Donations: \$515.00		

February 14, 2021

Bethalto Knights of Columbus

Carry Out Chicken Dinner

Sunday, February 21, 2021

11:15 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Chicken Strips w/ 1 Side - \$10

2-Piece White or Dark Fried Chicken

w/ 2 Sides - \$10

4-Piece Mixed Fried Chicken

w/ 3 Sides - \$15

Side Options: Mac & Cheese,

Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

Public Welcome

CARRY OUT ONLY: Please enter from Prairie Street
into the school parking lot for pickup.

Proceeds go to Bethalto K of C Charities & OLQP Parish.

Preschool Registration

Beginning **Tuesday, February 16th** we will begin offering parishioners a chance to pre-register new students for three and four year old preschool for the 2021/2022 school year. For more information call the school office (377-6401) no later than Friday February 26th. After that date any remaining spots will be filled on a first come first served basis.

Opportunity for Prayer For Lent

OLQP has adopted **FRIDAY, MARCH 19th** (1pm-6pm) Our prayer time is for the demand of abortions to be gone. Go to www.40daysgc.com to see the numbers of babies being saved. Please text Mary Terry at 618-830-0104 to pick your hour. Thank you. Bring a partner and experience a change.

Please Note

The Parish office and school will be closed
Monday, February 15 for Presidents Day.

Daughters of Isabella

O'Reilly Circle 218, will hold their meeting on **Monday, February 15**, at 6:30 p.m. as a Zoom Meeting, due to restrictions. Members please check the Jan. 30th email from our Regent or contact her for the proper Meeting Link.

Stations of the Cross

Everyone is welcome to attend **Stations of the Cross** during the Lenten Season. They will be held on Fridays at 6:30 pm, beginning February 19th.

God of love, giver of all that is good,

Help me to let go of all that is not good. May I become more open to your love and more available to those who need my love. May this season of Lent be a time of transformation so that I may become more fully the person you created me to be. **Amen.**

Fr. Kenneth E. Grabner, C.S.C.

A Look At Lent 2021

The season of Lent begins this year on **Ash Wednesday, February 17th** and ends just prior to the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, **April 1st**. All the Christian faithful are urged to develop and maintain a voluntary program of self-denial (in addition to the Lenten regulations which follow), serious prayer and the performing of deeds of charity and mercy, including the giving of alms.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. Abstinence—Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. Fast—Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these 2 days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. 2 other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.
3. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

Why Give Something Up for Lent?

Lent is a great time to evaluate the current state of your relationship with God. What has come between you over the year? What do you need to change or give up in order to give him your focus? Are you giving God the "first fruits" (the best) of everything in your life—your money, time, and focus—or is there an area that needs attention? Traditionally, Lent is observed through prayer, fasting and giving. You may also choose to take up another spiritual practice, such as adding a daily devotional or participating in a daily Mass, in order to bring more focus to your relationship with God during this time. Observing Lent is more than simply giving up chocolate for 40 days (unless chocolate is the thing that's come between you and God). Lent is intended to be a time of giving up something that hinders your faith, and instead devoting that time, money or focus on rebuilding your relationship with God. So, how will you observe Lent this year? Prayerfully, ask God how he wants you to observe Lent. Here are a few ideas to consider for Lent:

-Give up 30 minutes of sleep by waking up 30 minutes earlier and read a daily devotional (such as *Living Faith*) to guide your time of study and prayer.

-Give up TV on a Saturday and spend that time volunteering somewhere.

-Give up discretionary spending and set aside the amount you would have spent and donate it at the end of Lent.

-Give up Facebook or Instagram and spend a few minutes thanking God for all of your blessings.

-www.prayerandpossibilities.com



**May this holy season be a time of
spiritual renewal for each of us!**

