



Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church

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Jesus said,

“LET US GO ON TO THE NEARBY
VILLAGES THAT I MAY
PREACH THERE ALSO.
FOR THIS PURPOSE HAVE I COME.”

Mark 1:38



February 7, 2021

**FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

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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

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Sat., Feb. 6 4:30 pm	St. Paul Miki and Companions James & Joan Friedrich
Sun., Feb. 7 8:30 am 10:30 am	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Virginia Forehand For the Parishioners
Mon., Feb. 8 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Bob Schley
Tues., Feb. 9 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time John Fenwick
Wed., Feb. 10 6:30 pm	St. Scholastica Ray Matthews
Thur., Feb. 11 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Mary Cremeens, Darlene, Gladys and Victor Huebener
Fri., Feb. 12 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Virginia Forehand
Sat., Feb. 13 4:30 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time Ken & Loretta Weber
Sun., Feb. 14 8:30 am 10:30 am	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Virginia Forehand 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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Join Us

Father Wants You - to join the Knights of Columbus! Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus to be men of faith who support their church. The Bethalto Knights of Columbus has done many activities to help sustain our parish during this time of pandemic, but we are incomplete without you. Consider joining us and the work we do for the church and our community. Ask any Knight or email:

bethaltoknight@gmail.com

Again, we want to thank all who continue to support our parish with your donations. They are greatly appreciated!



Dear Parishioners,

This Tuesday the priests of the diocese will be meeting in their deaneries to discuss a number of topics. One of the topics to be discussed is how and when we should reinstitute the obligation to attend mass on Sunday. Naturally, this is a decision that will ultimately be made by Bishop Paprocki himself, but he does ask for the input of the pastors of the churches of our diocese. Just as he asks for our input, I am asking for your input and concerns so that I can take them to the deanery meeting. I know that there is not much time until the meeting, but if you would like to send me an e-mail today or tomorrow with your thoughts and concerns, I would appreciate it very much. Also know that in the past the Bishop has stated that he does not foresee a quick return to the obligation for Sunday mass attendance but he does want to be prepared for the eventuality of the return. My email address is:

tliebler@aol.com

Father Tom

Lenten Fish Fry Coming Soon!

Our Lady Queen of Peace School and the Knights of Columbus are happy to announce that there will be a Lenten Fish Fry this year. It will be a drive thru carry out option only. More information will be coming as we approach Lent. We hope that everyone will join us for the amazing fish dinner! Stay tuned to your weekly bulletin for updates regarding menu, times, and price. All proceeds from these fish frys benefit the students at OLQP.



Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Frank Lavite**, father of Cathy Berkenbile and Angie Sherman. May God grant him eternal rest.

Sunday Offerings

Week 31	Jan. 30-31, 2021	Total to Date
Loose Envelopes	\$46.00	\$6,201.49
On Line Giving	\$7,463.00	\$267,264.16
Young People	\$2,398.00	\$81,738.00
Total	\$0.00	\$51.00
Operating Budget	\$9,907.00	\$355,254.65
ACSA Budget	\$13,713.46	\$425,117.26
	\$1,421.12	\$44,054.72
Difference	(\$5,227.58)	(\$113,917.33)
Envelopes received: 115 of 801 Building Maintenance Fund Donations: \$70.00 Other Charitable Donations: \$339.00		

Sweeten Your Marriage this Valentine's Day

Sign-up to receive a FREE daily online marriage retreat in your inbox during National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14) by going to dio.org/familylife. Each day includes a short scripture video, reflection questions for you and your spouse, and a prayer for the two of you to say together. When you sign up, you will also be automatically registered in a drawing to win a date-night package.



Catholic Times

Catholic Times is aware of several locations in our diocese that have not received their *Catholic Times* recently or have been getting the magazine late. Unfortunately, it is out of our control as the U.S. Postal Service is responsible for mailing our magazine. You can read the latest edition of *Catholic Times* by visiting ct.dio.org. The online version flips just like a magazine. You can also subscribe to receive the online edition of *Catholic Times* to your inbox by going to: ct.dio.org/subscribe. We ask that you continue your tithe of \$15 to your parish to offset the costs of production and mailing of the magazine. Thank you!

Collection for Church in Central/Eastern Europe

On Ash Wednesday we will take up a collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This Collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that still struggle to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this Collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the Collection next week. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/ccee.

A Quote

*If you don't behave as you believe, you will end
by believing as you behave.*

Fulton J. Sheen, FMA Focus, 2-2013,
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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

A Meditation

*"I shall not see happiness again."
(Job 7:7)*

It's hard not to be struck by the grimness of Job's words. We might want to give him a break and excuse him. After all, look at what happened to the poor man! He lost his children, his possessions and property, even his health. Anyone would be devastated. It's only natural to vent your frustrations to your friends as Job did.

But let's not gloss over Job's melodramatic words. They provide a glimpse into not only how he was feeling in the midst of his devastation but how he was working through it. He teaches us an important lesson when we're going through something difficult: keep the lines of communication with God open!



God willing, we will never experience the same string of losses that Job experienced. But sometimes even small trials can send us into a spiral of negativity. Feeling devastated when we are devastated is natural. And that's okay as long as it doesn't stop there.

So if you find yourself complaining about your circumstances or getting caught up in self-pity, try to follow Job's example. Vent to your friends if you must, but turn to God as well. Tell him your frustrations. Tell him about the injustice of your situation. Don't hide the way you feel. Ask him hard questions. That kind of honesty gives him something he can work with.

But then go further and listen for his answer. Eventually, Job heard from God. He didn't get an immediate explanation of why he lost everything. He did, over time, come to a deeper understanding of God's greatness. He didn't get a vindication of his own righteousness, but he did go from being someone who only knew about God to being someone who had seen him directly. That's what God can do when you're honest and keep talking to him. Eventually, you will hear him.

*"Lord, may my setbacks help me to open my heart
more deeply and honestly to you."*

The Word Among Us

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Live Streaming Schedule

The 10:30 am Sunday Mass is available for you to view on our parish Facebook page. It can be viewed live or after it has taken place. ALSO, Friday morning Mass is available to watch here 'live' or after it has taken place as well. On Fridays, the live streaming begins at 8:00 am with the Rosary. Our Facebook page can be found as follows: [olqpcatholicchurchbethalto,IL](https://www.olqpcatholicchurchbethalto,IL)

If you do not have Facebook, you can also view these Masses directly on the parish website:

<https://www.olqpbethalto.org/parish/>

