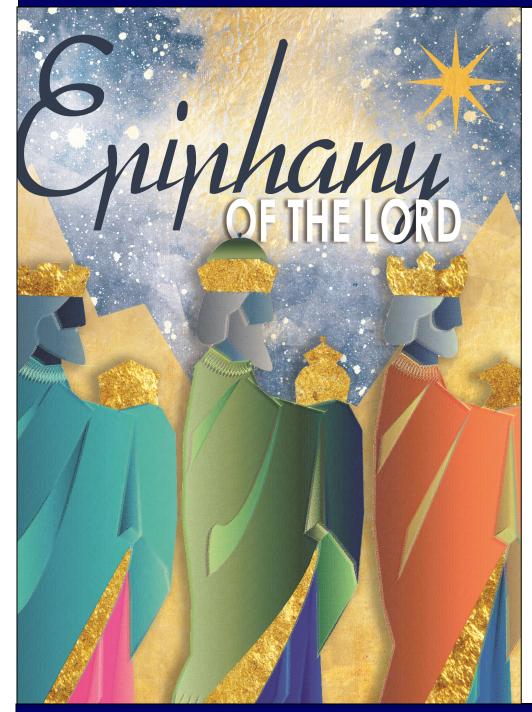
OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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 618-377-6519 Fax: 618-377-9550 Office Manager: Terri Zykan Secretary/SCRIP Coordinator: Bea Albarado

Parish School

Mrs. Kim Knight, Principal, kknight@olqpbethalto.org 618-377-6401 Fax: 618-377-6146 Chrissy Woodiel, Secretary: 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 Www.bethaltoknights.org

Communion to the Homebound

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

COMING OUR WAY...

| Charismatic Prayer Group | January 9 |
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| Soul Core Exercise Class | Januarv 10 |
| Community 55 Luncheon & Gathering | lanuary 11 |
| School & Parish Office Closed—MLK Day | January 15 |
| KC Chicken Dinner | January 21 |
| Stroke Scan Day. | February 1 |
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Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Intentions

| Sat., Jan. 6 4:30 pm | Christmas Weekday Caroline Witt | |
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| Sun., Jan. 7 8:30 am 10:30 am | Epiphany of the Lord John Stutz For the Parishioners | |
| Mon., Jan. 8 8:30 am | Baptism of the Lord Gloria Matthews | |
| Tues., Jan. 9 8:30 am | Weekday in Ordinary Time Darlene, Gladys, & Victor Huebener and Mary Cremeens | |
| Wed., Jan. 10 6:30 pm | Weekday in Ordinary Time Vickie McDowell | |
| Thur., Jan. 11 8:30 am | Weekday in Ordinary Time Rosemary Barron | |
| Fri., Jan. 12 8:30 arm | Weekday in Ordinary Time Noah Rogers (L) | |
| Sat., Jan. 13 4:30 pm | Weekday in Ordinary Time For the Parishioners | |
| Sun., Jan. 14 8:30 am 10:30 am | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Jack McCurdy Mike Long | |
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Prayer Requests

The sick: Conor Vogel, Keita Salantai, Mary Wagner, Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite



Hufker, Maxine Calhoon, Vi Perkhiser, Toni Stanford, Peggy Ruhmann, Audrey Wolff, Lisa Curtis, Brooke Randolph Carden, Brittany Witt, Clayton Spicer, 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, Don Laird. 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.

Soul Core

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

Christmas Poinsettia Memorials

J. Kenneth Henkhaus, Nina Henkhaus, Johnny Henkhaus, Mike Henkhaus, David Rhoads, Julie Rhoads By Mick Henkhaus Jack & Pat Early, Clarence & Betty Tschillard By Mike & Gay Early



Dear Parishioners,

I would like to thank all of you who sent me a card or gave me a gift during this Holy Christmas time. May the Good Lord bless all of us here at Our Lady Queen of Peace



and may we all experience the love of God throughout this New Year of Grace. I would also like to thank everyone who had a part in making this Christmas so special for our parish family. I know that you all know how special you are and how special our parish family is...however it never hurts to say it over and over again how great a parish we have! May the Good Lord be with all of us during this New Year as we continue to grow in the love of God and the love for one another.



Community 55

Community 55 will meet on **Thursday, January 11**, at 11:30 a.m. in the church basement. The catered lunch will cost \$15. Please RSVP to Kris Magee (377-2782) ASAP. Thank you!

Military Mass

Please join us for the Mass for the Military on **Thursday**, **January 11th**. at 6:00 PM at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Alton.

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

Rhine River Cruise

8-day Cruise (Amsterdam to Basel) plus optional Post 4day stay at The Italian Lakes. Cruise: June 17-24, 2025 (fly out June 16, 2025) Post Stay June 24-27 - return June 27th. Cruise & Airfare - from \$3898 per person based on double occupancy. Cruise + Italian Lakes + Airfare - from \$4922 per person based on double occupancy. Transportation costs, meals included. Questions, **Amy Frisch 618-444-7715 or Jack Baumann, Guidester, 314-503-7979 Email:** jack@guidester.com (Tell him you are traveling with OLQP)

Charismatic Prayer Group

Next meeting: **January 9**, 2024, 6:30 pm, Church. Everyone welcome!

Job Opening

Father McGivney Catholic High school, seeking **Full-Time Assistant Principal** for the 2024-2025 school year. Qualified candidates, please send cover letter, resume, completed application, 3 letters of recommendation to: Joseph Lombardi at address below by 1/12/24

jlombardi@mcgivneygriffins.com

January 7, 2024

Liturgical + Roles

4:30 pm

January 13

Reid Bouillon, Levi Woodiel

Rosary Lector E. Ministers Ushers

Liz Laurent Dale Osborne Bob Sulsberger, Dick Rogers Dale Osborne, Dan Rogers Carmen Graham, Mary Gulash

Servers Music

8:30 am

January 14

Craig/Kris/Becky

| Rosary | Sharon Pritchett |
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| Lector | Ann Payne |
| E. Ministers | Paula Mattix-Wand, Kim Brunstein |
| Ushers | Bob & Fran Eagan |
| | Joe Grabowski, Ray Meyer |
| Servers | Kellan and Layla Schwab |
| Music | Craig/Kathy |
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10:30 am Lector E. Ministers

January 14 Luke Kistner

Ushers

Servers Music

Lee Gonterman, Brad Fulk Kathy Wilson, Diane Waldo Tim & Tammy Sasek Julian Certa, Josie Hagaman Praise Team • ****************************

SCRIP Sellers, January 13 & 14

4:30 Linda Zacha 8:30 Terri Zvkan 10:30 Sonya Hagaman

Are You at Risk?

Stroke Scan, Plus will host a stroke and vascular ultrasound screening here at OLQP Thursday, February 1. Next weekend, a representative from Stroke Scan, will be here to explain this in detail and register those who are interested in participating. Do you have high blood pres-sure or high cholesterol? Do you have a family history of heart disease, stroke, or diabetes? If any of these are true, absolutely do not miss this opportunity for early detection of a possible serious disease.

| Sunday Offerings | | | | |
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| Weeks 26 & 27 | 12/23/23-12/31/23 | Total to Date | | |
| Loose | \$1,810.04 | \$14,095.76 | | |
| Envelopes | \$26,316.86 | \$272,315.68 | | |
| On Line Giving | \$6,230.00 | \$83,095.00 | | |
| Young People | \$1.00 | \$43.60 | | |
| Total | \$34,357.90 | \$369,550.04 | | |
| Operating Budget | \$30,861.04 | \$416,624.04 | | |
| Tithe to Diocese | \$3,000.00 | \$40,500.00 | | |
| Difference | \$496.86 | (\$87,574.00) | | |
| Total Envelopes Received (2 weeks) : 308 | | | | |

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2024 Catholic Women's Breakfast

Sat., Feb. 10, 8 am-Noon, St. Boniface Church, Edwardsville. There will be Mass, breakfast and a talk by Sister M. Karolyn Nunes, (entitled "Living Lent for a Change"

Sister Karolyn, FSGM (St. Francis of the Martyr of St. George) is a graduate of Franciscan University of Steubenville. Having worked in catechetics and youth ministry in Tennessee, Illinois, New Jersey and Kansas, she current serves her community as vocation director, traveling and sharing her community's charism of merciful love in parishes, schools, retreats throughout the country. She enjoys painting, arts and crafts, playing guitar, harmonica, ukulele, and as a human jukebox with a song always on her heart. Preregistration is required and forms are in church vestibule or download at: www.stboniface.com. \$20 registration fee and form may be mailed to: Melinda Nosser, 104 Carrington Court, Edwardsville, IL 62025.

Catholic Leaders Suggest New Year's Resolution for Catholics in 2024

Below is an excerpt from an article that appeared on the website referenced below. Many suggestions overlap, and each prioritized the same thing: Draw Closer to God.

Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan of New York

1. *"First* thing every day: The Sign of the Cross and a morning offering, as simple as, 'Thanks, Lord, for the gift of a new day. Help me be closer to you by the time it ends!"

2. "First day of each week: Sunday Mass!"

3. "First Friday of every month: the Sacraments of Penance, Mass and Holy Communion!"

Immaculée llibagiza

Immaculée Ilibagiza, a Rwandan genocide survivor who shares her story of faith and forgiveness in her 2006 book "Left to Tell: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust," shared four resolutions.

1. To make the time for families [and/or] friends to be together and to read the Word of God together in a fun way as an activity, and to comment on it (read the Bible or the Mass daily readings and discuss)."

"Make an effort to pray the Rosary every day. Truly it's a 2. matter of understanding the importance of it and loving it. We spend so much time wasting time on mundane things like social media and watching TV. This is a way to get close to Our Lord and change our lives."

3. "Make a friend of a certain saint and get to know him or her and try to imitate their virtues."

4. "Make a decision to do something kind to someone or do more works of mercy. Donate to a foundation you like and care for somebody who is not necessarily your best friend. Reach out to somebody rejected or older and lonely."

Father Leo E. Patalinghug

the Father Patalinghug, creator and founder of PlatingGrace.com, author, speaker and multimedia host, suggested:

1. "Make it a monthly priority to go to confession, at least a monthly adoration before the Blessed Sacrament."

2. "Find a corporal work of mercy that [you] haven't done yet and make a goal next year to get involved."

Leah Darrow

Leah, a Catholic entrepreneur and mother of six, works with Hallow Catholic prayer app. She recommends starting small. 1. "For 2024, choose one goal, not an array of 10.

Then, build a routine centered on this lone objective asking Christ for clarity and perseverance in it. If you embrace simplicity and maintain focus, you will undoubtedly achieve your aim."

(to be continued....)

Source:

https://www.oursundayvisitor.com/14-catholic-leaders-suggestnew-years-resolutions-for-catholics-in-2024/