



Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church

132 Butcher Street, Bethalto, IL 62010

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

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The people were astonished at Jesus' teaching,
for he taught them as one having authority.

MARK 1:22

FOURTH *Sunday* in ORDINARY TIME

January 31, 2021

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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

Secretary/SCRIP Coordinator: Bea Albarado

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Sat., Jan. 30 4:30 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time Reid Brazier (L)
Sun., Jan. 31 8:30 am 10:30 am	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Virginia Forehand For the Parishioners
Mon., Feb. 1 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Debbie Walter
Tues., Feb. 2 8:30 am	The Presentation of the Lord Nick Gray
Wed., Feb. 3 6:30 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time Lee Bernt
Thur., Feb. 4 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time David Green
Fri., Feb. 5 8:30 am	St. Agatha Ed Pilgrim
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

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 Calhoun, 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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Rosary Leaders Needed

We are currently looking for volunteers who would like to lead the Rosary on Saturdays before 4:30 pm Mass. If you are interested, please call Susan Valley, 618-259-4796 and leave a message. Thank you!

Free Throw Contest

The Knights of Columbus are having a Free Throw Contest on Saturday, February 6th in the OLQP Gym. Any girl or boy ages 9-14 is eligible to participate. Registration will begin at 8:30 am. Shooting will continue until 11:00 am. We will be conducting this contest in a Safe Environment for participants and spectators. Come out and Shoot some Free Throws!



Dear Parishioners,

There are two celebrations during the month of February that are going to be different due to the pandemic. The first is this Wednesday, the feast of St. Blaise. In the past, the faithful would approach the priest and two blessed candles would be placed on either side of the neck and the blessing would be said. Now that is not allowed. Instead, the blessing will be said over everyone at once and no individual blessings will take place. This general blessing will take place on this Sunday and on Wednesday night mass. The second will be Ash Wednesday. The instructions that have come from the Vatican are as follows: first the priest will bless the ashes in the usual way and sprinkle the ashes with holy water. Then he will address the people and say only once over everyone present- "remember that you are dust and to dust you will return". After that he will distribute the ashes to anyone who wants to come forward by silently sprinkling the ashes on the top of the person's head. The priest will not be making the sign of the cross with the ashes on the people's forehead. These instructions have come to us from the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments.

Father Tom

Youth Group—Ice Skating Today

Grades 7th and above, we will be going Ice skating Jan 31st at Steinberg's skating rink in St Louis. We will be meeting at the church at 1pm. This is an outdoor rink so please dress accordingly. Masks are required both in the cars and at the Ice ring. We will need drivers. Please let me know if you have any questions, or to Sign Up please call Kateri Dance 618-530-5652.



*Many Thanks too all who continue
to support our parish and school!
We appreciate you greatly!*

Sunday Offerings

Week 30	Jan. 23-24, 2021	Total to Date
Loose	\$42.95	\$6,155.49
Envelopes	\$7,533.00	\$259,801.16
On Line Giving	\$1,090.00	\$79,340.00
Young People	\$00.00	\$51.00
Total	\$8,665.95	\$345,347.65
Operating Budget	\$13,713.46	\$411,403.80
ACSA Budget	\$1,421.12	\$42,633.60
Difference	(\$6,468.63)	(\$108,689.75)
Envelopes received: 94 of 801 Building Maintenance Fund Donations: \$60.00 Other Charitable Donations: \$940.00		



Rest In Peace

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

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 you have come to love and support! Stay tuned to your weekly bulletin for updates regarding menu, times, and price. All proceeds from these fish frys benefit the students at OLQP.



Congratulations!

The following students at *Marquette Catholic High School* (and former OLQP students) have earned High Honors for the fall 2020 semester:

Juniors: Graceanne Perrine, Will Talbot
Sophomores: Nicholas Hartsock, Delani Jarman
Freshman: Michael Wilson

Catholic Times

Many thanks to everyone who has donated for the Catholic Times subscription. The usual donation is \$15, however, any amount is greatly appreciated. Thanks!

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 for more information.

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.facebook.com/olqpcatholicchurchbethalto,IL)

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

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A Meditation

**"What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?"
(Mark 1:24)**

Talk about bursting onto the scene! Of course the demon possessing this man couldn't tolerate being around Jesus. But wouldn't it have been wiser to slink away rather than draw attention to himself?

It happened a lot, in fact. Jesus would show up somewhere or reveal his glory in some way, and his presence would prompt resistance and sometimes even violent outbursts.

This wasn't true just of demons. At the very beginning of his ministry, Jesus' announcement of the good news enraged enough people that they tried to push him off a cliff (Luke 4:24-30). Then, after only a few weeks of preaching and performing miracles, Jesus upset some Pharisees enough that they began plotting his murder (Mark 3:6). Not even his closest disciples were immune. Jesus' revelation of God's plan to save us through his cross upset Peter enough that he rebuked Jesus (Matthew 16:22).

In one way or another, we have all reacted strongly against Jesus and his message of salvation. We all have pockets of darkness still lingering in our hearts. Maybe you refused to forgive someone. Maybe you knowingly chose sin in a tempting situation. Or maybe you denigrated a fellow believer who thinks differently than you do. Still, Jesus continues to love you and offer the grace you need to change. What was true in that synagogue in Capernaum is still true today: the darkness of sin can never overpower the light of Christ.

Don't be surprised if you experience some form of opposition to Jesus in your heart today—maybe in prayer or as you're trying to focus at Mass or as an opportunity to serve your family arises. Instead, take comfort from it. Trust that the light of Christ will not only expose your darkness; it can expel it as well.

"Thank you, Jesus, for exposing my darkness—and for setting me free from it!"

The Word Among Us

January, February 2021 Issue

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

