



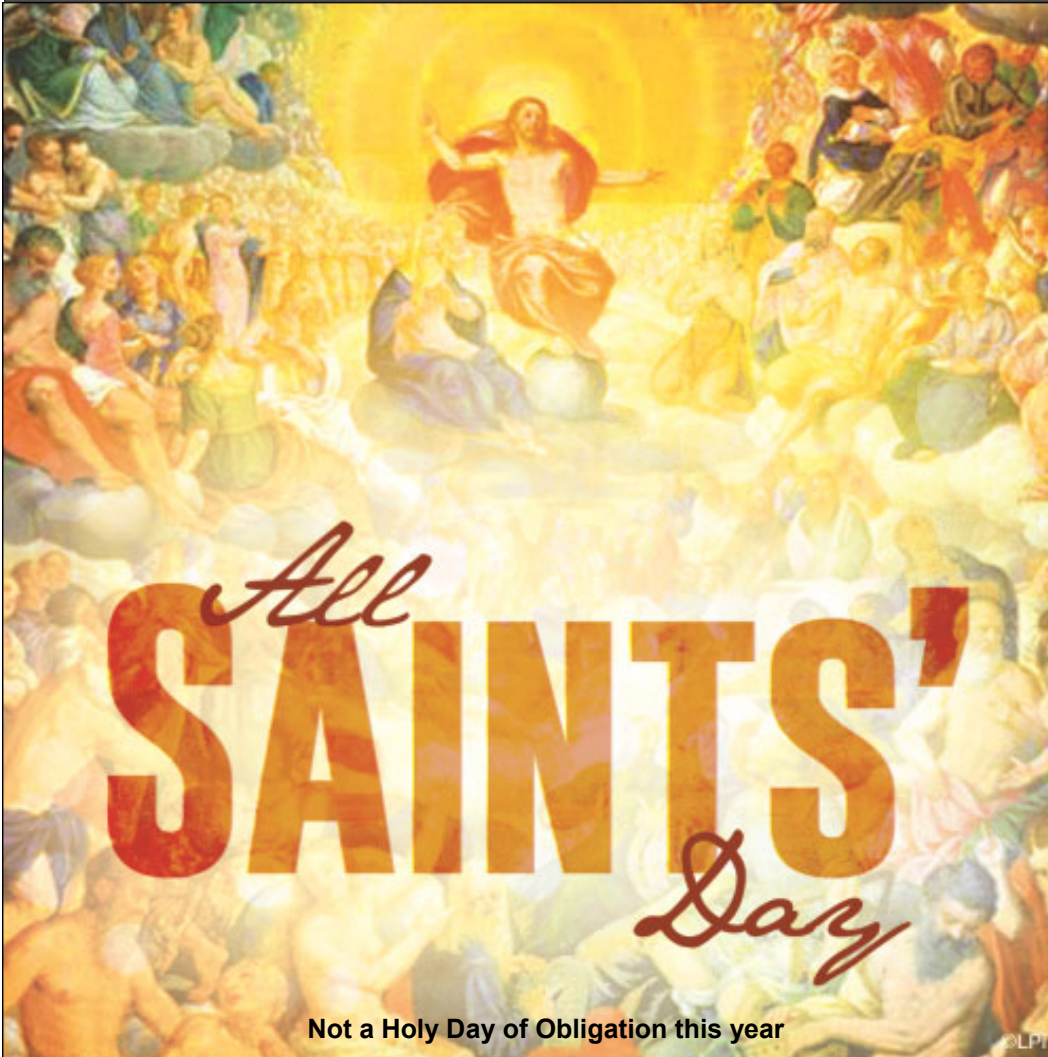
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WHITEWASHED

"These are the ones who have survived the great period of trial; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." —Revelation 7:14 Some saints led very sinful lives. When they encountered the Lord, they realized the Lord's holiness and their own sinfulness. They confessed their sins, repented deeply, and changed their lives permanently. Some saints were called to the ultimate witness: laying down their lives for Jesus in martyrdom. "They were stoned, sawed in two, put to death at sword's point" (Heb 11:37). "All of these died in faith" (Heb 11:13) because "they were searching for a better, a heavenly home" (Heb 11:16). Some saints lived obscure lives of faithfulness and holiness. They died to themselves, picked up their cross, and followed daily in the footsteps of Jesus. As disciples of Jesus, they rose early to pray (Mk 1:35) and prayed long into the night (Lk 6:12). Their intercession and redemptive suffering stopped wars, brought healing and reconciliation, and built up the kingdom of God. Some saints are still under construction. Some saints are those of you reading this page. You endure periods of trial (Rv 7:14), but live lives of "hope based on" Jesus (1 Jn 3:3). You have given your lives to Jesus and have been washed clean in the waters of Baptism and in "the blood of the Lamb" (Rv 7:14). Saints alive, praise Jesus now and forever with the communion of saints!

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Mass Schedule

Monday.....8:30 am
Tuesday.....8:30 am
Wednesday.....6:30 pm
Thursday.....8:30 am
Friday.....8:30 am
Saturday.....4:30 pm
Sunday...8:30/10:30 am

Confession

Saturday.....3:30 pm
Also, by appointment

Baptism

Parents of infants to be baptized, call parish office to request a meeting with Fr. Tom.



Parish Office

Hours:

Monday through
Thursday
8:30 am—4:00 pm
(Closed 12-1, Lunch)
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Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Sat., Oct. 30 4:30 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time Noah Rogers (L)
Sun., Oct. 31 8:30 am 10:30 am	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Bill Klunk, Sr. For the Parishioners
Mon., Nov. 1 8:30 am	All Saints Day James Ashley
Tues., Nov. 2 8:30 am	All Souls Day Louis Rexing
Wed., Nov. 3 6:30 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time Gary Vucich
Thur., Nov. 4 8:30 am	St. Charles Borromeo Virginia Metzger
Fri., Nov. 5 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Bob Zakrzewski
Sat., Nov. 6 4:30 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time John Nagy
Sun., Nov. 7 8:30 am 10:30 am	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time For the Parishioners Helen Friedel

Prayer Requests

The sick: Conor Vogel, Keita Salantai, Mary Wagner, Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite Hufker, Dan McRae, Mary Overton, Maxine Calhoun, Gloria Matthews, Dianne Morin, Vi Perkhiser, John Richter, Jennifer Price, Robert and Pauline Lange, Elli Wiemers, Christine Scheffel, Toni Stanford, Tim Phillips, Kennedy Stalcup, William Henderson, Helen Nagy, Peggy & Ralph Ruhmann, Mike Byers, Bea Albarado, Lyla Ross, Debra Walker. **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**



Loved & Not Forgotten Mass

This annual Mass will be held on **Monday, November 8, 7:00 pm**, where we remember our loved ones who have returned to God during these past 2 years. If you have not received a letter and would like your loved one included in this memorial Mass, contact the parish office, 377-6519. All are welcome.

2022 OLQP Parish & School Auction

We are in the beginning stages of planning the annual OLQP Dinner Auction that benefits our School and Parish. We have put together a survey to help guide us through our initial stages as we gather feedback and input on what everyone's preferences are. We ask that you take a minute and share with us your feedback concerning the next auction. Thank You!!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8FP2JXY>



Dear Parishioners,

Do You Know Your Faith?

(All answers begin with 'V')

- What is the name for where the Holy See is situated?
- Another name for a person who is declared to have lived a life of heroic virtue?
A. Very Holy B. Virtuous C. Venerable
- What is the title of the priest who is second in authority to the Bishop?
A. Viceroy B. Vicar General C. Vicar Apostolic
- What is the celebration of a feast on the night before called?
- What is the second mystery of the Joyful Mysteries called?

Father Tom

Substitutes Needed for School

If anyone is interested in being on our substitute list, please notify the school office or email Mr. Menke at smenke@olqpbethalto.org. We are looking for people that may want to be a substitute teacher, fill in during lunch, or help out during before/after care.

All Saints Day

This year, Nov. 1, All Saints Day, is NOT a holy day of obligation. As stated by the U.S. Council of Catholic Bishops, the holy day obligation is suspended when the solemnity falls on Saturday or Monday. However, Mass will still be celebrated at 8:30 am on November 1.

Military Mass

We are happy to announce that our monthly Military Mass will resume on **Thursday, Nov. 11th.** at 6:00 PM at St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Alton. Please join us to pray for our active service members, veterans, living and deceased, and their families.

Calling all SIUE Newman Catholic Community Alumni!

Join us in celebrating 50 years of Newman on SIUE's campus! Enjoy catching up, conversation, drinks, hors d'oeuvres and dessert at Old Bakery Beer in Alton on Friday, November 5 at 6:00 p.m. We hope you can join us - we wouldn't be here without YOU! Please RSVP to Robin Black Rubenstein roblack@siue.edu or 618-406-5562.

Sunday Offerings

Week 17	Oct. 23-24	Total to Date
Loose	\$241.00	\$6,344.02
Envelopes	\$9,920.00	\$157,783.24
On Line Giving	\$2,363.00	\$48,371.00
Young People	\$12.00	\$71.12
Total	\$12,536.00	\$212,569.38
Operating Budget	\$14,477.83	\$246,123.11
Tithe to Diocese	\$1,384.62	\$23,538.54
Difference	(\$3,326.45)	(\$57,092.27)
Total Envelopes received: 143 of 763 Building Maintenance Fund Donations: \$160.00 Other Charitable Donations: \$180.00		

October 31, 2021

Liturgical Ministries

4:30 pm	Saturday, November 6
Lector	Tim Zacha
E.Ministers	Dick Rogers, Pat Beiermann
Ushers	Dee Oller, Stacy Dooling Brian Stacks, Joe Gulash
Rosary	Tim Zacha
Music	Adult Choir
8:30 am	Sunday, November 7
Lector	Lynne Rose
E. Ministers	Brenda Zacha, Brenda Tebbe
Ushers	Dan & Martha Smith Joe Grabowski, Ray Meyer
Rosary	Andy Kerkemeyer
Music	Craig/Kathy
10:30 am	Sunday, November 7
Lector	Carrie Albarado
E. Ministers	Sonya Hagaman Teresa Wilson
Ushers	Kathy Wilson, Diane Waldo Tim & Tammy Sasek
Music	Praise Team

Mark Your Calendar!

Our parish school is hosting a **MUSIC TRIVIA, Saturday, Nov. 13**, in the school gym. Table of 8—\$120 (advance purchase) \$160 (at the door). Call the school, 377-6401 to register.

CHS Thanksgiving Dinner

We have volunteered again this year to donate 20 (Large #10) cans of green beans for the Hope Center's Thanksgiving Dinner. Cans may be placed on the table in the basement outside the Food Pantry. Thanks for your support!

SCRIP For Christmas

The holiday season will soon be upon us and SCRIP cards make the best Christmas gifts!! We still sell these gift cards in the parish office, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 am—4:00 pm. In addition, cards may also be purchased from your mobile device by setting up an account at: **shopwithscrip.com** The enrollment Code for OLQP is: **1D453C2B1859**. Once your account is set up, download the mobile app: **www.RaiseRight.com** SCRIP may then be purchased right on your phone or mobile device. **A new feature now available is to purchase the cards on the app and then have them sent to you in the mail.** There are approximately 250 brands that offer this new service. For more information about the SCRIP program, go to **shopwithscrip.com** or call the parish office, 618-377-6519.

Job Openings

St. Mary's School, Alton has the following openings:

School Bus Driver: Applicants must have or be willing to obtain the following: Class B CDL License, Passenger Endorsement and School Bus Endorsement. St. Mary's will pay for the licenses and endorsements. Email Kelly Schwegel at kschwegel@smsalton.com

Aftercare: This position is Monday-Friday after school. Applicants must be at least 18 years old. Email: Sandy Meehan at meehan@smsalton.com

Reflections on the Readings

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT JESUS CITES TODAY IS SO FAMILIAR TO US THAT WE MIGHT MISS THE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES EXPOSED BY THIS DISCUSSION.

First, throughout Mark's gospel, the scribes have been constant antagonists to Jesus's mission. They test, question, mock, and now, in this chapter, start plotting his arrest. So today, when one of them asks Jesus a question, we can safely presume it's a trap. But the tone of this conversation in Mark remains mutually respectful and even gracious. Something different is happening here.

Second, to the *Shema*, the central daily prayer for Jews, Jesus adds Leviticus 19:18, which reads in full: "Take no revenge and cherish no grudge against your own people. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord." In this context, loving one's self does not mean inward focused self-care but love of one's own family. In contrast, to love your neighbor is to love those outside your immediate circle, those who are unlike you, those who don't know or trust, those you might even despise.

Third, the scribe does a "yes, and" move, affirming Jesus's response and building upon it by connecting the dual commandment to ritual practice. Without love for God and others, even one's enemies, liturgical participation, as the scribe rightly said, is worth less. Now this once-familiar commandment is no longer so simple or so inconsequential.

—Diana Macalintal,
GIA Quarterly, Vol. 32, No. 3
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The One True God

"Moses spoke to the people . . . "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone! Therefore, you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today." **Deuteronomy 6:2, 4-6**

This passage contains the basic principle of the whole Mosaic Law; its words are used in the most important Jewish prayer, recited morning and night. The stunning revelation it contains is that there is only one God, their God, a God who is not remote and harsh, but one who offers and calls for a total relationship of love. My friend, whose parents were concentration camp survivors, remembers their saying, "Even there we kept praying to the Lord, our God, in love."

Dear Lord, our God, with gratitude beyond words that the gift of faith in you has been passed on to me, help me experience and show my love for you today.

Pat Livingston
Living Faith

Do You Know Your Faith Answers

1. Vatican
2. Venerable
3. Vicar General
4. Vigil
5. Visitation



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