

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church

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WE HAVE COME TO WORSHIP THE KING



MASS SCHEDULE

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays: 8:30 am;
Wednesdays: 6:30 pm
Saturdays: 4:30 pm; Sundays: 8:30 & 10:30 am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays: 3:30-4:15 pm & by appointment

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Holy Communion is brought to homebound & residents of Villa Rose, Bethalto Care Center & Cedarhurst Living on Fridays for those unable to attend Mass. Call parish office to request.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bethalto Council #4688, 4th Degree #203
Grand Knight: Troy Lively
Email: bethaltoknight@gmail.com
Website: www.bethaltoknights.org

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturday...9:00 am-11:00 am

HOSPITAL VISITS/ SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

Call parish office to request a hospital visit or the Sacrament of Anointing.

PARISH OFFICE

618-377-6519, Fax: 618-377-9550
Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am—4:30 pm (Sept.—May)
Closed Friday (June—August) Closed 12-1 for lunch
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Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sat., Jan. 5 4:30 pm	St. John Neumann Kathleen Willcut
Sun, Jan. 6 8:30 am 10:30 am	Epiphany of the Lord Debbie Walter For the Parishioners
Mon., Jan. 7 8:30 am	Christmas Weekday Jeannie Berghoff
Tues., Jan. 8 8:30 am	Christmas Weekday Laura Menke Ward
Wed., Jan. 9 6:30 pm	Christmas Weekday John Nagy
Thurs., Jan. 10 8:30 am	Christmas Weekday Dale Johnson
Fri., Jan. 11 8:30 am	Christmas Weekday Ed Pilgrim
Sat., Jan. 12 4:30 pm	Christmas Weekday Anthony & Jennie Ventimiglia
Sun., Jan. 13 8:30 am 10:30 am	Baptism of the Lord For the Parishioners Matthew Beiser

Prayer Requests

The sick: Conor Vogel, Jim Friedrich, Keita Salantai, Mary Wagner, Janet Yates, Bob Schley, Jean Greer, Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite Hufker, Darlene Huebener, Randall Oldham, Nelson Gregory, Kayden Spurgeon, Bob Zakrzewski, Terry Tellefson, Dan McRae, Mary Overton, Don Laird, Dan Kitzmann, Linda Anderson, Mike Byers, Lee Burnt, Maxine Calhoon, John and Jeanette Medlock, Dan Connoyer, Gloria Matthews, Dorothy Wittig, Dave Gibbons, Bill Jones. **Parish E-Mail Prayer Chain: Send requests to Marie at rejoy128@gmail.com**



OLQP Dinner Auction

February 2—OLQP Dinner Auction supporting ALL youth (School and Youth Group). **This week's challenge is: Happy New Year! Consider donating gift cards, lottery tickets.** To help, contact Amy Frisch, 444-7715 or Dana Aronin, 978-4305. Absolute deadline to submit donation is January 18, 2019. Tickets on sale soon, \$50 each.

Upcoming Marriage Encounter Weekend



Worn out from the holidays? Are you looking for a way to avoid the winter blahs? How about a special weekend just for the two of you that will reinvigorate your marriage? Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on January 19-20 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Lawrenceville, Illinois; or February 8-10 at Courtyard Marriott in St. Peters, Missouri. If you would like to apply or get more information, go to:

<https://stl-wwme.org/schedule.php> or call 314-649-7317.

Dear Parishioners,

This past Friday and Saturday we celebrated the feast days of two American saints, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St John Neumann. They were very different in their journey to that blessed title of saint, but they both reached it because of their lives of faith and service to the Church. In the climate of the Church in America today, we need to remember the holiness of members of that same Church past and present. Holy Mother, the Church, is the rock upon which we are to build our faith. It was and is and always will be the same inspiring gift from God. It was and is and always will be the path to eternal life. Let us never lose sight of this truth. Let us never give in to despair.



(What More Can We Do For Jesus)

Father Tom

Attention All Men & Women Of the Parish

You are invited to a special weekend of spiritual growth and renewal. Our parish will host both a **Women's ACTS Retreat weekend and a Mens ACTS Retreat Weekend** in the coming months. This parish based retreat offers the opportunity to renew your spirituality and prayer life, to strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, and to build lasting friendships among members of the parish community. Your fellow parishioners present the retreat with approval from your pastor.

The Women's Retreat begins Thursday evening, **March 28**, with check-in at 6:30 in church, concluding **Sunday March 31**. Transportation to Pallottine Renewal Center is provided for all retreatants following check-in. Transportation is also provided from Pallottine for attendance at the 10:30 Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace with a luncheon following in the school cafeteria.

The cost of the retreat is \$260. Checks made be made payable to Our Lady Queen of Peace with "ACTS-Women's Retreat" in the memo line. **PLEASE NOTE:** Financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending the retreat. Financial assistance is available.

If you have any questions or need further information regarding the retreat, please contact the retreat director: Monica Milholland, 314-229-2116.

Registration forms may be found in the vestibules of the church. The completed forms and payment can be delivered to the parish office or to any ACTS Team Member.

The Men's Retreat will be held beginning Thursday, **May 30 through Sunday, June 2**. More information along with registration forms for the Men's retreat will be available soon.

Below is an excerpt from someone who has attended: *"The love and power of the Holy Spirit was so present that at times, it felt tangible to me. Prior to attending I truly believed I had a great understanding of my faith as a Catholic, as well as a wonderful friendship with God and our Blessed Mother. What I know today, is that my understanding was (and is) in infancy stages. Something happened at the retreat moving the walls in my heart that surrounded and safely contained my faith....my faith has reached deeper levels than I can possibly comprehend..."*

-ACTS retreatant, 2013

January 6, 2019

Mark Your Calendar!

The St. Serra Vocations Club of Madison County along with Marquette Catholic High School and several local parishes have banded together to bring a dramatic play on the life of the Servant of God Augustus Tolton to our local area. Please take a minute to read part of Father Tolton's story below:



After Augustus' unfortunate experience at his first school, Mrs. Tolton and her children joined St. Peter's Church. The pastor was a strong-willed, determined Irishman, Peter McGirr. Years later, Augustus spoke fondly of his time in St. Peter School saying, "As long as I was in that school I was safe. Everyone was kind to me. I learned the alphabet, spelling, reading and arithmetic." During his first month of school, Gus memorized the Latin Mass prayers, which he needed to know to serve Mass. Gus was such a devout young man, serving Mass daily before going to work, that at some point, Father McGirr and Gus discussed the possibility of a vocation to the priesthood. Augustus' formal education up to this point was very limited: a month at St. Boniface School, two months at the Colored School, and three months each winter for three or four years at St. Peter School. As soon as the tobacco factory opened for the season, Gus would leave school to go back to work. Father McGirr wrote Bishop Baltes (2nd bishop of Alton, buried at Ss. Peter & Paul in Alton) about the devout and talented young man. The bishop advised Father to "find a seminary which will accept a Negro candidate... the diocese will assume the expenses."

But no seminary or religious order in the United States would accept Augustus, so the priests in Quincy decided to start his higher education there in town. Quincy was blessed with well-educated priests. Father Ostrop, the pastor of St. Boniface (formerly the first pastor of St. Mary's in Alton), outlined a study plan and reading material and the tutoring began. The year was 1873. Everyone, please save the date for live performances highlighting the life of this amazing man. January 29 and 30 at Marquette Catholic High School.

'Manifest'

...Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.
Isaiah 60:1

On this feast, we remember the journey of those seekers from the east, the Magi longing to see the newborn king of the Jews. Yet this feast celebrates not only their long-ago quest, but also our searching, our longing, right here and now. Not only a journey of more than two thousand years past, but a journey unfolding and evolving in the present.

Like the Magi, we, too, are searching for the path that will lead us closer to the Holy One. We, too, share a desire to recognize the face of God in our midst. We, too, live in the hope of seeing Epiphany in the ordinary and the everyday. How does the presence of the Holy manifest itself in our time and place today? And how, when God is revealed, will we, like the Magi, express our joy at seeing that star?

Sr. Chris Koellhoffer, I.H.M.
Living Faith
January-March, 2019

LITURGICAL ROLES

Weekend of January 12-13, 2019

USHERS/GREETERS:

- 4:30 pm Dan Perkhiser, Mike Magee
Dave & Susan Marth
- 8:30 am Les & Sue Tiek
Paul & Cindy Stutz
- 10:30am Kathy Murphy, Jenniffer Stout
Carol O'Toole, Deana McDonough

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

- 4:30 pm John Harshbarger, Mindy DeClue
Joe Gulash, Liz Laurent, Jean Johnson
Carmon Graham, Jim & Bea Albarado
- 8:30 am Jim Menke, Sharon Pritchett, Ray Meyer
Don and Carol Beste, Patricia Johnson
Tim Zacha, Brenda Zacha
- 10:30 am Tammy Sasek, Teresa Dubbelde
Loren & Rae Ann Summers, Kateri Frisch
Carol O'Toole, Marge Kirby, Jackie Braatz

SERVERS:

- 4:30 pm Grace Ray
Lili Ray
Sophia Reilley
- 8:30 am Lauren Maher
Allison Maher
Katelyn Maher
- 10:30 am Samantha Pritchett
Rebekah Summers
Lorelie Summers

MUSIC:

- 4:30 pm
- 8:30 am
- 10:30 am Praise Team
- LECTORS:**
- 4:30 pm Liz Laurent
- 8:30 am JoEllyn
Patterson
- 10:30 am Lee
Gonterman

SCRIP Sales—Weekend of January 12-13, 2019

- 4:30 Marilee Webb
- 8:30 Mary Cain
- 10:30 Mike & Jayne Poulsen

Go to the Madonna. Love her! Always say
the Rosary. Say it well. Say it as often as you can!
Be souls of prayer. Never tire of praying, it is
what is essential. Prayer shakes the Heart of God,
it obtains necessary graces!
~St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

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

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