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Twenty-Seventh

SUNDAY

in Ordinary Time

Once again,

O Lord of hosts,

look down from heaven, and see;
take care of this vine,
and protect what your
right hand has planted.

Psalms 80:15-16

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October 4, 2020

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Sat., Oct. 3 4:30 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time For the Parishioners
Sun., Oct. 4 8:30 am 10:30 am	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Ray Matthews James Friedrich
Mon., Oct. 5 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Ray Matthews
Tues., Oct. 6 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Virginia Forehand
Wed., Oct. 7 6:30 pm	Our Lady of the Rosary Jacob Rose
Thur., Oct. 8 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Mark Oldfield
Fri., Oct. 9 8:30 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time Virginia Forehand
Sat., Oct. 10 4:30 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time Bob Zakrzewski
Sun., Oct. 11 8:30 am 10:30 am	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Steve & Virginia Ostanik For the Parishioners

Prayer Requests

The sick: : Conor Vogel, Keita Salantai, Mary Wagner, Bob Schley, Charlie Mattingly, Noah Rogers, Becky Gray, Marguerite Hufker, Nelson Gregory, Dan McRae, Mary Overton, Don Laird, Maxine Calhoon, Gloria Matthews, Dianne Morin, Tim Friedel, Vi Perkhiser, Derek Trent, Jane Rood, Bev Randolph, Gloria Hall, John Richter, Tim Zacha, Mike Inman. **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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40 DaysFor Life

September 23rd- November 1st: Join in prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Stand peacefully and pray to help end the demand for abortions. You will be in the public right-of-way outside of Hope Clinic for Women in Granite City, IL Our parish have adopted Saturday October 17th, Please sign up for an hour between 7am-6pm. contact Mary Terry by phone or text the hour you would like @ 618-830-0104.



PSR Registration

If you have not yet registered your child for PSR classes, we ask that you contact the PSR coordinator at psr@olqpbethalto.org as soon as possible. Go to the church website for more information: <https://www.olqpbethalto.org/parish/>

Dear Parishioners,

Today, October 4th, is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi. Since it falls on Sunday we celebrate the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time instead. That does not mean that we should not celebrate the life and influence of St. Francis. St. Francis is an important figure for our world and I hope for all of us who follow the example of his life. That example is multifaceted in that he reflected so many virtues and attributes in his life. He was a very humble man. He was a lover of nature and our environment. He was a man filled with great joy and love. He was so many things that it would take the entire bulletin to just scratch the surface. You may get the notion that I like St. Francis a lot. Since I am a Third Order Franciscan you would be right. A Third Order Franciscan is a lay person or a diocesan priest who wishes to follow the way of St. Francis in their everyday life. However, one does not need to take that step to try to live a simpler life style. Anyone can do that. Let us try to see ways in which we can simplify our lives and live lives that are more in tuned with the example of this great saint.

Father Tom

Rosary Rally

We want to invite you to join in a public square rosary rally on **Saturday, October 10th at noon in front of Our Lady Queen of Peace school**. The public square rosary sponsored by America Needs Fatima will be one of only over 20,000 rallies that will take place across the United States on that day. Please join us in offering reparation for our sins and offenses committed against the immaculate heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of the United States. Bring a lawn chair and your rosary and join us. Call Andy Kerkemeyer at 618-407-8535 or Brenda Tebbe at 618-407-0233 if you have questions.

Marquette Catholic H.S. Mega Raffle

Purchase tickets online by going to www.marquettecatholic.org/megaraffle or contact the Development office at 618-463-0585 ext. 1.

Thank you to all who continue to support our parish and school!

Last Weekend's Offerings

Week 13	Sept. 26-27, 2020	Total to Date
Loose Envelopes	\$427.00	\$4,059.23
On Line Giving	\$11,994.04	\$112,120.50
Young People	\$2,813.00	\$33,744.00
Total	\$2.00	\$30.00
Operating Budget	\$15,236.04	\$149,953.73
ACSA Budget	\$13,713.46	\$178,274.98
Difference	\$1,421.12	\$18,474.56
	\$101.46	(\$46,795.81)

Envelopes received: 136 of 801
Building Maintenance Fund Donations: \$60.00
Other Charitable Donations: \$770.00

October 4, 2020

Attention All Ladies of the Parish!

No cooking! No cleaning! No laundry!

If this sounds like a great idea for a few days away from home, consider coming to the next **OLQP Ladies ACTS Retreat, November 19-22, 2020**. You will be very well taken care of! During the retreat, you will have opportunities to grow in your faith, alongside other women of our parish. And, it's great time before the holidays are in full swing, to get focused on 'the reason for the season'—Jesus!! There are registration forms with more information at both entrances of the church or in the parish office.

Rosary For Our School

Everyone is invited to participate in saying the Rosary each Friday at 8 am in the church before Mass begins. We are offering this Rosary for the intention of increased enrollment in our parish school. Please join us!

ITALY PILGRIMAGE

Fall (Sep/Oct) 2021 14 day. Highlights: Rome, Assisi, Amalfi Coast/Sorrento/Isle of Capri, Pompeii, Florence (Awesome churches, Vatican, vineyards, wineries/distilleries; cooking class, highlights of Rome, relaxation, and some of the best dining in Italy) Approx. \$4200 per person/double occupancy - includes most everything. Go to ciaoromatravel.com and register for the OLQP trip. Deposits due fall of 2020. Questions/more info, contact Amy: amykfrisch@gmail.com or 618-444-7715.

Virtual Fall Retreat

“Cultivating a Spiritual Life in Turbulent Times”

October 17, via Zoom 10:30 am – 5 pm—Join retreat presenter, Geri Boyer, as she teaches us how we can transform wounds into sacred experiences. She will guide us on how we can cultivate a deeper spiritual life through heart-centered awareness and experience the transformative power of God's unconditional love. Register online at snows.org/retreat, visit vmusa.org for a printable registration form or call 618.394.6281 for more information or to register.

RCIA

Our Inquiry sessions have begun, but we are still waiting for YOU! Are you searching for a deeper relationship with God? A sense of belonging in a faith community? A greater fulfillment of your mission in life? Have you been curious? Ever wonder about the difference between the Catholic and Protestant Bibles? Ever wonder why priests cannot marry? Or Women are not ordained? Ever wonder how Catholics relate to Mary and the saints? Get answers to all your questions about the Catholic faith. We meet every Wed. at 7 pm in the parish hall. For questions/more information call or e-mail, Tim Zacha @377-5725, tzac54@sbcglobal.net, or Jay McCurdy @ (217) 827-1406, jay@allied.construction or check out our website at <http://www.church.olqpbethalto.org/>

A Reflection

Let me now sing of my friend . . . concerning his vineyard. (Isaiah 5:1)

Vineyards appear in Scripture time and again. In fact, they are in three of today's four readings. Usually, as today's psalm response says, a vineyard is "the house of Israel," which belongs to God.

Isaiah's song of the vineyard seems to be a gloomy tale for Israel—a carefully cultivated vineyard bearing only wild grapes, and an owner who allows it to fall to ruin. While Isaiah doesn't guarantee what God will do with his people, it's pretty certain that if nothing changes and they continue in their sin, they will experience the effects of cutting themselves off from God.

But even in the midst of this grim story, there is hope. Don't forget that the landowner tirelessly cultivates his vineyard. He doesn't give up! Yes, God expects to see fruit from his people, but only because he knows we can bear fruit. And yes, when we separate ourselves from God, we experience the consequences. But God constantly calls us back and offers us his help. That's cause for hope.

Think about the way Isaiah's landowner took great pains to prepare and protect his vineyard. He planted it in fertile, well-cleared soil. He planted a hedge around it and built a tower to watch for enemies. Similarly, God plants us in his grace and gives each one of us all the nourishment we need to flourish under his care.

Baptism makes you his own. The Sacraments of the Eucharist and Reconciliation nourish and restore you. The Holy Spirit lives in you and, like living water, helps you grow in holiness. What's more, your brothers and sisters in the Lord, like the other vines in the vineyard, support and encourage you along the way.

God takes great pains to cultivate you like a previous vine. The grace for you to grow to love him more and bear fruit for his kingdom—it's all there waiting for you. Take hold of it!

Heavenly Father, help me to respond to your relentless grace and to bear fruit for you!"

Word Among Us
September 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



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