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SUNDAY OFFERING

Our Gifts to God and Parish Last Week
290 Envelopes Used

Special Collections

Seminary	\$	15.00
St. Louis Review	\$	1,122.00

New Building Fund

Lavender Envelopes	\$	1,967.55
Total Received to date	\$	489,212.90

Offertory

Sunday Envelopes	\$	11,225.00
Sunday Loose	\$	681.26
Christmas	\$	10.00
First Offering	\$	129.00
Present and Future	\$	175.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$	15.00
Total Offertory	\$	12,235.26
Offertory Goal	\$	12,500.00

Thank you for your generosity.

As of January 12, 2009

Contributions Year To Date	\$	340,358.07
Projected Year to Date Budget	\$	350,000.00

Together We're Better Certificates

Sales	\$	550.00
Profits for this week	\$	21.46

TWB Certificates are available in the Rectory Office from 8 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday and every weekend after Mass.

**Rectory Office is closed
Monday, January 19,
in observance of Martin Luther
King Jr. Birthday.**

STEWARDSHIP

"Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?'" (John 1:38)

What are you looking for? That is a question Jesus asks each of us. It has been said there is a God shaped hole in every soul that only God can fill. Instead of spending your time with God, though, we fill our days working for things that do not satisfy us but that society says we need to impress one another.

**A word from _____
_____ your Pastor...** This past weekend, Terry Ostlund, and I met with the youth group leaders from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish of St. Charles, Missouri. One of the major, on-going projects of their youth group is called Seedbearers. This group stays locally assisting the elderly and the financially strapped of various parishes with various kinds of home improvement projects. This Summer they will be coming here to Our Lady Queen of Peace parish and below is a short summary of their history.

Seedbearers is a week-long spiritual and work retreat, where we work on homes of people that cannot afford repairs. Seedbearers is made up of adults and teens from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (SEAS) who volunteer their time. The goal is to reach out to others by ministering to their needs while planting the Seed of Christ in everyone and spreading the Good News to everyone we meet. There is no cost to the homeowner; all of the work, materials and money to do this comes from donations.

Seedbearers was started in 1991 by Mary Saffa and Fr. Michael Butler. Mary Saffa and Fr. Butler and a handful of teens traveled to Old Mines, MO to work on a house. The teenagers came from SEAS and St. Cletus. They stayed at the St. Michael House, which was run by the Rural Parish Workers.

As the years progressed, the group continued to multiply. More and more teens and adults were getting involved. Now, instead of working on just one home, they began to work on as many as seven homes in one week.

In 1999, the Seedbearers moved to Perryville, MO. They stayed at the St. Vincent DePaul High School. It was there that they began to take a bigger initiative to work closely with the local businesses of Perryville and the neighboring towns. After nine amazing and rewarding years, the Seedbearers left Perryville and moved to DeSoto.

In 2008, the Seedbearers moved their work to

DeSoto, MO. They stayed at the St. Rose of Lima School. It was this year that an amazing gift came to the Seedbearers, their roots where it all started has returned. They were about five miles from where it all began back in the summer of 1991.

The Seed of Christ that is planted grows and flourishes, not only in the adults and teens that volunteer, but the homeowners and the entire surrounding community. This is not just for this generation, but for generations to come. Anyone that has been a part of this week has received an everlasting reward far beyond what they ever expected. We are guided by the Holy Spirit to do God's work and not on our own.

Every day we have Mass and every night we have night prayers or some kind of spiritual event. This helps us realize that it is God that is in control. By Friday night, which is Senior night, we pray that everyone sheds some kind of tear and emotion.

We would like to thank everyone in the parish that has supported us in any way. Pray for us that we may have cooler weather and no accidents. May the Holy Spirit guide us and give us the strength to continue to do God's work.

Peace,
Fr. PC

In your kindness pray for the repose of the soul

Sandra Oldenburg,
sister of David Bowler

Arlou Marquardt,
Norma Nenninger,
sister of Norbert Bueter

Scott Noce,
Godson of Judy Holmes

*May God welcome them home, fill them with peace,
and bless those who will miss them.*

**Liturgy Committee Meeting
Wednesday, January 28, 2009
4pm in the Rectory**



YOUTH MINISTRY

Please Pray for the Pro-Life Trip

Last week Fr. Christopher informed us of the most urgent need to pray that our leaders in government will vote to protect human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Please include in your prayers that the 48 people from OLQP traveling to Washington, D. C. on January 21-23 to be ambassadors for LIFE will have a safe and successful trip. We have 19 of our Confirmation youth, 7 high school youth and 22 adults from OLQP attending the March for Life this year. We thank everyone who has supported our fund raisers, made donations, prayed for the success of our trip and continue to pray for the right to life for all in this country. We realize we are your voice and heart on this trip. As Dr. Suess reminds us, "A person is a person, no matter how small." Please pray daily for the right to LIFE and for the hearts and consciences of our elected officials.

Confirmation Retreat on Monday, Jan. 19th

The Confirmation students will meet for a retreat day on Martin Luther King Day, January 19th from 8am-4pm. The retreat will be held at our parish and we will gather in the cafeteria at 8am. Students need to bring a sack lunch. Terry will be in the cafeteria by 7am, if parents need to drop off their child early, and will stay until the last student is picked up.

Join Us on Sunday Evening

All high school youth and college youth are invited to join us in the Activity Center from 6:30-8:30pm to have fun, share friendships and grow stronger in faith. This week's theme is "Dare to Dream". We will also play Cranium. We hope to see you there.

Terry Ostlund, Youth Minister
636-671-0302 or
leave a message 314-566-8363

RCIA
Meets every Monday Evening
at 7pm in the Field House.

Scripture Study

Our Scripture Study will resume on Tuesday, January 20th. We will do a study of the Gospel of Mark based on 12 talks by Fr. John R. Donahue, S.J., "one of America's most celebrated Mark experts". We will listen to the talk and discuss its content from a prepared outline. The starting time will be 7:00pm and we will end at 8:30pm. As always all are welcome to attend.

LATE NEWS

FULL TIME SCHOOL
PARENT MEETING
JANUARY 22, 2009
7PM IN THE CAFETERIA

Marriage Preparation Classes
Today and all the days of your life

A program for engaged couples that will fulfill the Archdiocesan requirement for a marriage preparation program will be offered starting February 8 through March 8, 2009 from 6pm to 9pm. The session will be facilitated by Deacon Tom and Margaret Gerling. To register or for more information call Deacon Tom at 636-671-0627 or 314-623-0476.

OLQP 48th Annual Church Festival
Saturday, May 2, 2pm to 11pm

YES, we have changed the date and time of this year's Festival, please volunteer your time or talent to make this year's event a HUGE SUCCESS! The following positions are open and I need a person to run that particular game or booth, please consider it for yourself and call me if interested for more details.

Positions are: States Game, Chuck-A-Log Game, help with prizes for the booths, a driver for a school bus, parking attendants, check-in booth, we need a sign making person (very important and needed) please call Jane 636-671-1081



St. Vincent De Paul

In the life of Mother Teresa, the Two Commandments - To love God and to love our neighbor - are inseparable. In her life and work she exemplifies the relationship between the two: however, if we do not love God we cannot love our neighbor, and if we do not love our neighbor we cannot love God.

Stephen Ministry

Does it feel as if your world is spinning out of control? Could you use a little quiet time with someone who will listen to you? A Stephen Minister is here for you. To learn how you can receive care please call Margaret, 636-274-2269. All calls and sessions are confidential.



God bless you!

Pro-Life

As we turn the corner into the new year we continue to face many challenges. One of the most critical is the "FOCA" or Freedom of Choice Act that threatens the very existence of morality in our country. Last weekend both Fr. Christopher and Fr. Don spoke about the devastation and what the passage of this legislation would do to our healthcare system. The response from our parish was overwhelming with almost 800 signatures on the petition to **stop** FOCA. FOCA states that abortion services would be provided on demand for any reason, at any time and at any hospital facility, even Catholic Hospitals. A nine day novena has also been initiated with the intentions of supporting the pro-life agenda. This coming weekend petitions will also be available at the back of church for all those who missed the opportunity to join our efforts. Please continue to pray for conversion of hearts specifically for our legislators set to vote this horrific "Act" into policy, that they may hear God's voice before they cast their vote. Letter writing materials will also be made available for writing our U.S. Representative Russ Carnahan, asking for his support of LIFE AFFIRMING legislation and rejection of "FOCA". You may also bring your composed letter for mailing. Honorable Russ Carnahan U.S. House of Representatives in D.C. Washington, D.C. 20515 Please call with any questions, Cathy Gansmann 636-222-2226, Parish Pro-Life Chairman/MRL Chapter Chairman.



Knights of Columbus
Valentine's Day
Dinner/Dance
Join us in this Celebration of Love
Saturday, February 14th
 We will begin the evening with 5pm Mass
 and a renewal of our marriage vows. Dinner
 and dancing will follow at the Knights of
 Columbus Hall.
 Tickets are \$45.00 per couple and go on sale
 this weekend after Mass. The ticket price
 includes dinner, beer, soda, wine and music
 by: Sound Systems, Inc.
 We are looking forward to an evening of fun
 and fellowship as we celebrate and give
 thanks for the love in our lives.
 Talk to your friends and reserve your table
 now.
 Hope you can join us.....
 For more information Call
 Denise or Rich at 636-671-0545.

Thank You!!

The family of Pamela Ackman wish to thank the parish community for their prayers and thoughtfulness during our time of sorrow. It is greatly appreciated.

God Bless you all,
 Rich and Nancy Wilfong

Umpires Needed

OLQP is in need of umpires for the 2009
 Baseball/Softball season. If interested
 please contact Luke or Kristi Moore at 636-
 274-9622. Must be 13 years of age or older
 by April 1st, 2009



Preschool's Pen

Did you know that there is no air, wind or water on the moon? One small step...see the "footprint" made by Neil Armstrong and the American Flag that was placed on the moon! Travel through our science, math, writing, reading and art centers to see what we've been working on. Join our four year old classes in exploring the moon at our preschool classroom. An area of our classroom will be transformed into the "moon". Witness a "rocket" blast off to the moon and see the planets in our science center. Watch as our four year old students learn their numbers using astronaut - - manipulatives in the math center. Hear the story "Fly Away" on tape in the reading center. You will be amazed how well our students' fine motor skills are as they trace the capitol and lower case M in the writing center. Their voices will ring out as they sing the names of the nine planets! Our exploration would not be complete without astronauts! See our students in their helmets and oxygen tanks they made in our art center. Of course astronauts get hungry after their long exploration, moon pies and milk will be available for them after their return back to earth. We are looking forward to this event and welcome anyone who would like to join us.

It may be cold outside however, our three year olds had a lemonade stand! They worked on their fine motor skills by squeezing lemons using an old fashioned lemon squeezer to make homemade lemonade. Are lemons sweet or sour? Why are there seeds inside a lemon? Where do lemons grow? Questions, questions, questions, that were answered in our science center. They painted with a lemon shaped sponge, traced the capitol L on a lemon ditto and counted plastic lemons placing them in a pitcher. After all their hard work was completed their parents were able to purchase a glass of lemonade for five cents. We're learning the number five!

Our senator, Kit Bond, knew how important it was for children to begin learning at an early age. "Parents as teachers" was implemented under his rein in public service. Our president elect, Barack Obama, has stated on numerous occasions that funding for early childhood education is a priority. I believe when a community is aware, involved and supportive of early childhood education we make a significant impact on the future of our children. We are blessed here at OLQP Preschool in that not only are we educating our young children academically, we are able to nurture them spiritually and teach our faith as well. I would like to extend my appreciation to those who acknowledge, support and value our program.

Thank you and God's Blessings,
 Miss Nancy

SCHOOL NEWS



Did you know that . . .

- The 2nd graders are starting to prepare for their First Communion?
- Mrs. Morrow’s math students are learning about mean, median, and mode?
- Mrs. Pieper’s 2nd graders are working on a play about ants?
- Mrs. LaMar’s 5th graders researched and presented reports on explorers?
- The focus of the third quarter Enrichment classes is Science, which will culminate in a Science Fair?

**Spirit of St. Louis
TEC (Together Encounter Christ)
Retreat Weekend**

TEC is holding its next retreat February 14-16 at St. Pius X High School in Festus, MO. Catholic young people (18 - 24) are encouraged to attend this three-day encounter with Our Lord to deepen their love for and involvement in the Catholic Church, discern their vocation and meet other Catholic young people throughout the archdiocese. Cost is \$60. To register, visit www.stlouistec.org or contact Ron Reiter for an application at 636-933-2088 or ronaldreiter@yahoo.com. TEC - a Catholic movement of spirituality for older adolescents and young adults- was founded by Fr. Matthew Fedewa in 1965, and is now active in 60 dioceses throughout North America, Central America, South America and Europe.

Seven Days of Inspiration

Take one a day...
and feel great all week!

Be someone’s cheerleader.
They will never forget it.

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Somewhere out there  
today, a child will be born,  
an illness will be cured  
and a dream will come true.

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Do you realize how
special you are?

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The stars still shine even  
when you can’t see them.

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You deserve to
be happy.

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Prayers have more  
power than you  
realize.

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Love yourself.
Other people do!

Welcome to Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish

We rejoice to have you with us, whether a long-time resident or newly arrived in our parish! Please fill out this form and return it to the Rectory or place it in the Sunday collection basket if you would like to be a registered member of our parish. If you have recently changed your status, married, moved out of your parents’ home or graduated from college, you need to re-register. Please help us keep our records in order.

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ Phone _____ # of people registering _____

New Registration Address or phone number change Moving out of parish

**HAPPENINGS
OF THE
WEEK**

Mon	Jan 19	Rectory Office Closed No PSR RCIA, 7pm, Field House Rosary for Peace, 7:30pm, Church
Tues	Jan 20	Devotions after 8am Mass Quilters, 9am-3pm, 6-8:30pm, Activity Center Scripture Study, 7pm, Activity Center
Thurs	Jan 22	Choir, 7pm Full Time School Parent Meeting, 7pm, Cafeteria
Sun	Jan 25	Catholic School Week, Open House, Cafeteria Youth Night, 6:30-8:30pm, Activity Center

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill

- Steven Thome
- Viola Wilfong
- Bill Williams
- Michael Button
- Fr. Joseph Bujay
- Bernice Grimwood
- Carl Grimwood
- Tony McMillan
- Martha Leeker
- James Kotza
- Jo Dewitt
- Jackie Nappier
- Helen Hasemann
- Geri Eder
- Rita Singer
- Larry Gerling
- Alan Gerling
- Kathy Gadell

the homebound, shut-ins of the parish and all in nursing homes. To add a name please call the Rectory office, 671-3062. Names will be removed after 3 weeks because of space restrictions.

OLQP Web Site!!
www.olqphousesprings.org
 submit articles for bulletin
olqpbulletin@yahoo.com
Deadline Tuesday at 4:30 pm
Inserts - Monday at noon

Mass Intentions

Mon	Jan 19	8:00 am	Dorothy O'Brien
Tues	Jan 20	8:00 am	Vincent Steinman
Wed	Jan 21	8:00 am	Mary Helen Vanecek
Thurs	Jan 22	8:00 am	Poor Souls
Fri	Jan 23	8:00 am	Alice Nahlik
Sat	Jan 24	5:00 pm	Tom Campanella
Sun	Jan 25	7:30 am	Vera Sulincevska
		9:30 am	Agnes Frank
		11:30 am	People of the Parish

January 24th and 25th

Proclaimers

5:00 pm	Sharon Alderson, Larry Bottchen
7:30 am	Ann Riley, Roseann Robinson
9:30 am	Grade School Children
11:30 am	Judy Janos, Tom Mattingly

Special Ministers of the Eucharist

5:00 pm	Bev Gregory, Ralph & Sandy Munzlinger, Katie Tutass, Barb & Joe Nenninger, M. Turek
7:30 am	Ken Bohnert, Vicki De Long, Phyllis Smith, Joyce Stenger, Marie Strayhorn, Shirley Tenny, Linda Weber
9:30 am	Clay Gregorc, Pat Hoskins, Jan Hussman, Helen Salamone, Jan Schultheiss, Connie Stubits, Jo Ann Vess, Nancy Wilfong
11:30 am	Glenda Clayton, Andrea Lawson, Ruth Livingston, Paul McDonnell, S. Schmidt Denise & Richard Ortmann

Servers

5:00 pm	Bailey Ginger, Lindsey Lakin, Ashley Marks
7:30 am	Jackson & Teddy Bjornstad, Chance Leiker
9:30 am	Grade School Children
11:30 am	Beth Fritts, Ashlyn Mattingly, Alex Schroeder

Ushers

5:00 pm	Donna Clifton, Ken Ganey, Jerry Sheets, Helen Stewart, Wayne Thome, Ron Williams
7:30 am	Doug Bjornstad, Ray Brune, Ted Hemen, Steve Morlock, Dale Robinson, Vince Rocchio
9:30 am	Grade School Children
11:30 am	Gary Freihaut, John Holmes, Andy Nappier, Jim Robertson, Al Schulz, David Witt

NO Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9:30am Mass

Heavenly Dusters

Mary Jo Dawson, Mary Bowler, Mary Ann Whitecotton, Angie Tarter and Debi O'Donnell

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