

Our Lady Queen of Peace

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671-3062

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671-0247

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375-5335

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Evening

5:00 pm

(Rosary before Mass - Fatima Prayers included on 1st Saturday)

Sunday

7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am

Holy Days

as announced

Weekdays

8:00 am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for prayerful

Adoration the last Wednesday of each month from

1:00 to 8:00 pm.

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday after 8:00am Mass

ROSARY

Monday through Friday after 8:00 am Mass

For vocations 2nd Monday of month after 8:00 am Mass

Before 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday evenings

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

First and third Sunday of the month after 11:30 am Mass

Make arrangements by calling Parish Office

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday

4:00 - 4:45 pm or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

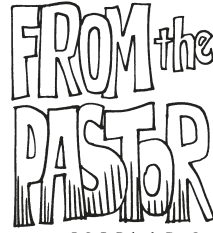
As soon as marriage is contemplated, contact one of the parish priests.

Welcome to Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish

Registration forms may be found on our website (olqpparish.org/parishregistration.htm), in the Church lobby or you may stop by the Parish Office to fill one out. If you have recently changed your status, married, moved out of your parents' home or graduated from high school, you need to re-register. Please help us keep our records accurate.

Upcoming OLQP Parish Events

2014		
February		
Sat	8	Knights of Columbus Valentine Dinner/Dance
Sat	22	Daughters of Isabella Antique Tea
March		
Sun	16	Red Hat BINGO, KC Hall
Mon	31	Parish Mission Begins
April		
Sat	12	Parish All Day Confessions
Sun	20	Easter
Sat	26	Daughters of Isabella Tailgate Sale
May		
Sun	4	First Communion
Wed	7	Confirmation
June		
Sat	14	OLQP Picnic
July		
S/T	7-11	Hope Builders Week
August		
Sun	24	KC Ladies Auxiliary Quarter Auction



He Kneeds a break!

Actually he broke his knee. Bob Ellison, our organist, fell and broke his knee last Tuesday. I'm not sure how he is doing, since I am writing this article on Tuesday afternoon and haven't been to the hospital yet to check up on him. But if he is not there on Sunday, you will know why. Come on Bob; give us a "break", We really "kneed" you! Please keep Bob in your prayers.

-fr mike

Please be aware that our office sometimes closes in the event of bad weather.

Parish Activities

Mon	Jan 20	No PSR RCIA, 7:00 pm, Parish Office
Tues	Jan 21	Perpetual Help Devotions after 8:00 am Mass Quilters, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, 6:00 - 8:30 pm
Wed	Jan 22	Picnic Meeting, 6:30 pm, Cafeteria meeting room
Thur	Jan 23	SVDP, 7:00 pm, Cafeteria meeting room Choir Practice, 7:00 pm, Church
Sun	Jan 26	Catholic Schools Week begins at 9:30 Mass



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The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 21st, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

"Picnic Committee Members Wanted" Parish Picnic Meeting

The 2014 Picnic planning is well underway. We are looking for volunteers to fill open positions on the **Picnic Committee** and to shadow current committee members for the 2015 Picnic. If you are interested in being a part of the planning committee and making our picnic a huge success, please join us for a picnic planning meeting on Wednesday, January 22nd, at 6:30 pm in the Cafeteria meeting room.

Catholic Schools Week Volunteers Appreciated

Join Us In Celebrating
Catholic Schools Week!

Thursday, January 30, is Parent/Parish/Volunteer Appreciation Day. The faculty and staff of OLQP would like to formally invite our parents, parish members and volunteers to join us for our All School Mass at 8:00 am followed by donuts and refreshments in the Cafeteria until 10:00 am. If you are able to attend please let Mrs. Ramsey in the school office know by Friday, January 24th, 636-671-2047. We hope to see you there!

Marriage Preparation Program "Today and All the Days of Your Life"

This program is for engaged couples and will fulfill the Archdiocesan requirement for a marriage preparation program. The program will be offered starting February 9, continuing for four weeks, ending March 2. The sessions will be facilitated by Deacon Tom and Margaret Gerling. To register or for more information please call Deacon Tom or Margaret, 636-671-0627. Please note there is a cost of \$25 for the program.

Youth Council News

- ☺ Thanks to everyone who supported our Pro-Life Trip fundraisers, made donations toward our trip or helped in anyway so that 27 people from Our Lady Queen of Peace can be your Pro-Life voice in Washington, D.C.
- ☺ Please pray for us that we have a safe trip to and from Washington, D.C. on January 21st through 23rd and for all the legal protection of all unborn babies in our country.
- ☺ Retreat for Confirmation Youth is Monday, January 20th, please pray for them.

Junior High Youth Retreat Rescheduled Answering the Call to Discipleship Saturday, March 1 – Sunday, March 2

The junior high retreat for the 7th and 8th grade was rescheduled because of the big snow storm. We have rescheduled it and will send out permission slips through school and PSR.

Steubenville YOUTH Conference in Springfield, MO July 18-20, 2014

Pre-Register by January 26th

All are invited to join us for the annual Steubenville Youth Conference in Springfield, MO. I will be accepting reservations with a \$50 down payment until January 26th. The total cost of the conference is \$200. We are working on some ideas to help those interested in fund raising. The \$150 balance is not due until the beginning of May. To pre-register a youth for the conference write a check to OLQP for \$50 with Steubenville Conference in the memo and include a paper with the youth's name, current grade, an email address and phone number in an envelope marked Steubenville Conference. Drop the envelope in the Sunday collection or drop it by the parish office.

For more information about any event please call Terry Ostlund, 314-566-8363, or email terry.ostlund@olqpparish.org.

Archdiocesan Financial Assistance Application Due Date: March 15, 2014

(This money is available as a result of the
"Returning God's Gift" Campaign)

The Catholic Education Office will be using the FACTS CO. to input the data of those families applying for the Archdiocesan financial assistance programs for the 2014-2015 school year. Families must complete the FACTS Grant and Aid application when applying.

- Applicants must be Catholic and must be registered at the parish.
- Students must be Catholic and attend a Catholic Archdiocesan or Parochial Elementary School or an Archdiocesan or Parochial High School.

Private Elementary and Private High Schools are not eligible.

- Applications must be obtained from the parish bookkeeper where the family is registered.

Families meeting the above requirements may apply online for the CFTA Funds beginning in late December at www.factstuitionaid.com or obtain a paper copy from the bookkeeper or the school office.

Information and documentation required for these programs include:

1. An application completed online or a signed and completed paper application.
2. Payment of the \$30 application fee made payable to: "FACTS Grant and Aid Assessment". Please do not send cash.
3. Copies of your 2013 Federal tax forms including all supporting tax schedules.
4. Copies of your 2013 W-2 forms for both you and your spouse.
5. Copies of supporting documentation for Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Worker's Compensation and TANF.

Failure to submit all of the required information by the deadline date may result in your family not receiving financial aid or limit the amount given due to incomplete information.

Children's Liturgy During 9:30 am Mass

Children's Liturgy is held during the 9:30 am Mass every Sunday. Children ages 3 to 8 are welcome to attend. We are looking for volunteers (a minimal commitment is needed) to help. Please contact Julie Jenicek, 314-775-8217, with any questions or to volunteer.

Did you know...

By Weeks 5-6, although the child in utero is only an inch long, their mouth, nose and ears are already taking shape. Their heart beats about 100 times a minute.

By Week 9 of life, the child in utero has a fully developed heart and their eyes are completely formed.



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**Knights of Columbus
Valentine Dinner/Dance
February 8th, 6:30 pm - 12:00 am
Knights of Columbus Hall**

Tickets will be sold after all Masses starting in January. Price is \$75 per couple (this includes a sit down dinner, beer, soda, wine tasting and dancing). Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Dinner choices:

- A: Steak and Shrimp
- B: Chicken and Shrimp
- C: Steak and Chicken

For more information please contact Justin Larsen, 314-757-9169 or email larseniij@gmail.com.

BREAKFAST IS SERVED!!

**February 9th
after 7:30 and 9:30 Mass
Please plan on bringing your family
to enjoy a nice breakfast
and fellowship.**



**This breakfast benefits the
Youth of the Parish
who will be attending the
Steubenville Conference
this summer.**

Thank you for your support!

BINGO!

**Every Friday Night
Knights of Columbus Hall
Doors Open at 4:30 pm
Bingo starts at 6:45 pm
Everyone welcome!**



St. Vincent De Paul

We have received so much from the good Lord that we wish to encourage others to experience His love for them through our ministry of assistance.

**We would like to thank
Fenton Auto Salvage**
for advertising in our parish bulletin. Because of their generosity we do not pay for our bulletins to be printed. Please patronize our advertisers and thank them for supporting our parish.

**A Mel Gibson Film
"The Passion of Christ"
Knights of Columbus Council 8588
6000 Antire Rd, 63049
March 15 at 7:00 pm
March 16 at 1:00 pm**

Reservations recommended due to limited seating. Walk-ins welcome upon availability. For information or any questions please call 636-677-5288. Donations accepted to offset expenses.

Something to ponder...

Whenever you do not understand what is happening in your life...Just close your eyes, take a deep breath and say, "God I know it is your plan just help me through it".

PASSION AND PURPOSE EVENT

Matthew Kelly, the author of [The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic](#) is coming to the St. Louis area. There's an opportunity to see & hear Matthew Kelly live on Saturday, February 15, 2014 at Immaculate Conception Parish in Dardenne Prairie from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm. For ticket information visit the web site:

www.dynamiccatholic.com

Matthew Kelly has dedicated his life to helping people and organizations become the best version of themselves. He is an internationally acclaimed speaker, bestselling author, and business consultant. His books have been published in twenty-five languages, have appeared on the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and *USA Today* bestseller lists, and have sold in excess of seven million copies.

If interested in car pooling to the event, please call 636-671-4281 or email weber.lr@sbcglobal.net.

Men's ACTS Retreat Opportunity Sponsored by Most Sacred Heart Thursday, January 23, 6:00 pm through Sunday, January 26, at noon

Both introspective and group time, a great way to recharge your spiritual batteries!

To register and for any questions or more information please call Jack Lindenschmidt, 314-974-6159, or email, info@msheacts.org.

Pro Life Square Dance Faenger Hall

(5030 Rhodes Ave, 63109)

Our Lady of Sorrows

Saturday, February 8, 7:00 pm

Be a square and support Pro Life. Gather your friends to have a good time dancing and laughing. Beer, soda, and snack mix provided. Feel free to bring your own drinks and snacks to enjoy with your friends. You do not need to know how to square dance. Come and swing your partner at the OLS Square Dance!!!

Cost: \$15.00 per person. Reservations are not required. Any questions or more information please contact Randy, 314-651-8745 or John and Mary, 314-832-0302. It will be the best time you have had being square!!!

January/February Retreats at IL Ritiro Franciscan Retreat

"Contemplation for Beginners"

Dates: January 18, 25, 2014

Times: 9:00 – Noon

"Mary Magdalen: The Road Less Traveled"

Dates: February 7-9, 2014

Times: Friday 7:00 pm - Sunday 11:30 am

"Sabbath Day – Keeping Sunday Holy"

Date: February 22, 2014

Times: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Visit our Webpage for more information:

www.il-ritiro.org or Like us on Facebook

Call us at: 636-274-0554 or email us at il.ritiro@gmail.com

IL Ritiro Franciscan Retreat
PO Box 38 - 7935 St. Francis Lane
Dittmer, MO 63023

Religious Life at the Crossroads
Aquinas Institute (Room 149)
23 S. Spring Ave, 63108
Thursday, February 6th
7:00-9:00

Join author and attorney Sr. Amy Hereford, CSJ, as she leads a conversation about the changing nature of religious life, the women and men who commit themselves to it, and the Church they shall help to create.

This event is free and open to the public. Free parking is available in SLU's Laclede Lot compliments of St. Louis University. Refreshments will be provided. For more information please call Sister Linda Markway, CSJ, 314-678-0315 or email lmarkway@csjstl.org.

A Smile a Day
Keeps the Sadness Away!

"And in my final moment, may I hear you whisper, when you made my people smile, you made me smile." What better way to go through life, than to have God smiling on you because you are bringing joy to others! Bringing joy to others, does that sound like something you would like to do? Well, the Knights of Columbus Gateway Clown Club is having an Introduction to Clowning Workshop on Saturday, January 25th, at St. Matthias Church (796 Buckley Rd., 63125). Registration and breakfast is from 8:00 am to 9:00 am. The workshop will cover History and Types of Clowns, Costumes, Make-Up, Face Painting, Tattoos, Balloons, Magic, Skits, Storytelling, Props and Puppets. Cost is \$15 a person, \$25 for family which includes breakfast, lunch and some clown goodies. We have limited space; please make your registration by January 19th. This workshop is open to everyone; you need not be Catholic, male or any certain age. We encourage families to do this together; YOUNG clowns go over quite well. What a great way to get the whole family involved while having fun. So why not give it a try, each of us have a special talent that can bring a smile to someone's face.

For more information please contact Justin Jacobs, 314-223-1752 or email justjazzy2@sbcglobal.net or Cathleen Horst, 314-752-2099 or cathleenhorst@att.net.

Seven Days of Inspiration

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

Day 1

It's never a mistake to
 have faith in yourself.

Day 2

All recipes for success
 have the same main
 ingredient: hope!

Day 3

Pamper yourself, too!

Day 4

Let your inner
 beauty out. Smile!

Day 5

This day holds so many
 positive possibilities.

Day 6

You're somebody special!

Day 7

No matter how far away
 your dreams seem,
 you can go the distance!

Parish Office email

parishoffice@olqpparish.org

OLQP Web Site

www.olqpparish.org

submit articles for bulletin

olqpbulletin@yahoo.com

Deadline Friday at 4:30 pm
(9 days before publication)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Our next Eucharistic Adoration is
 Wednesday, January 29,
 from 1:00 - 8:00 pm.
 Come visit with Jesus; He is waiting for you
 in the Eucharist. In the presence of Jesus,
 offer your heart.

Our Gifts to God and Parish

775 registered members
 223 online, loose and envelopes (average) used
 Thank you for your generosity!!!

Special Collections

Seminary	\$ 26.00
St. Louis Review	\$ 190.00

New Building Fund to date \$ 763,636.88

Offertory

Sunday envelopes	\$ 22,450.01
Sunday loose	\$ 853.00
Above and Beyond	\$ 20.00
Christmas	\$ 167.00
First Offering	\$ 712.00
Parish Enrichment	\$ 883.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 1,838.00
Total Offertory	\$ 26,923.01*
Weekly Offertory Goal	\$ 13,200.00

***Total for 1/1 to 1/12/14**

As of January 13, 2014

Contributions Year to Date	\$ 362,569.29
Projected Year to Date Budget	\$ 369,600.00

2013 Contribution Statement

If you would like a 2013 contribution statement, please send a note (marked Linda) to the Parish Office (it may be placed in the collection basket, mailed to the Parish Office, or use the mail slot in the Parish Office door).

Thank you,
 Linda

St. Louis Review Subscription

Please let the Parish Office know (yes or no) if you wish to receive the St. Louis Review. If you do not receive the envelope packet (which has the envelope included) you may write a note (with your name and address) and add it to the collection basket stating "yes" or "no" for the Review. Thank you so much for your cooperation.

Linda
 Parish Office

Stewardship

Start With Prayer

"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as His servant from the womb..." Isaiah 49:5

God has formed each of us as His servants from the womb. He blessed us with unique gifts and He provided us with the talents and skills we would need to do His work. If we do not fulfill the unique vision that God had for us alone, who will do it?

Please pray for those who are ill

(parishioners are in bold)

Audrey Hastings	Paul McDonnell
Tamara Mattingly	Marie Ulrich
Greg Hirtz	Ellen O'Brien
Wally Freihaut	Alice Boeger
Danielle Enghauser	Anna Ade
Jackie Nappier	Andy Nappier
Maryann Barnett	Maria Webb
Donald Kupferschmid	Cliff Wendt
Bill Bierman	Bob Ellison

Loren Love, father of Greg Love
 Allen Chott, nephew of Judy Mottert
 Robert Bokern, brother of John Bokern
 Linda Francis, of our community
 Patty Christy, cousin of Lynn Gustafson
 Liz Chapin, relative of Ann Bevard
 Carol Brennan, sister of Katie Tutass
 Brenda Meredith, aunt of Dixie Garrett
 Chuck Hampton, cousin of Dixie Garrett
 Vince Menendez, friend of Dixie Garrett
 Mary Ellis, daughter of Christine Dower
 Jane Riehl, aunt of Bolte Family
 Dennis De Maria, husband of Dr. Marty Freihaut
 Susan Flaherty, cousin of Joanne David
 Dave Landers, brother-in-law of Bernie Henning
 Joe Politte, brother-in-law of Ken DeClue

~those serving in the military, the homebound, shut-ins of the parish and all in nursing homes. To add a name please call the Parish Office, 671-3062. Names will be removed after 3 weeks.

Mass Intentions

Mon	Jan 20	8:00 am	Roland and Irma Ecker
Tues	Jan 21	8:00 am	Margaret Alexander
Wed	Jan 22	8:00 am	Denis Bahlinger
Thurs	Jan 23	8:00 am	Tom Finder
Fri	Jan 24	8:00 am	Dorothy Rudloff
Sat	Jan 25	5:00 pm	Stanley Smentkowski
Sun	Jan 26	7:30 am	Mary McKendry
		9:30 am	People of the Parish
		11:30 am	Paul Boeger, Jr.

January 25th and 26th

Special Ministers of the Eucharist

5:00 pm	Barb and Joe Nenninger, Katie Tutass, Maryann Turek, Peggy Mikko
7:30 am	Tom Broadbent, Joyce Stenger, Sue Syers, Mike and Joyce Ruopp
9:30 am	Dale Andrews, Tom Broadbent, Joanne David, Bruce Gallion, Trish Guethle, Jan Schultheiss
11:30 am	Fran Corley, Tom and Angie Ecker, Paul McDonnell, Joan Ross

Proclaimers

5:00 pm	Maryann Turek, Al Schuld
7:30 am	Jim England, Linda Weber
9:30 am	Maria Webb, Tom Mattingly
11:30 am	Gary and Carol Freihaut

Servers

5:00 pm	Jack Groppe, Madison Gross, Michael Reiter
7:30 am	Cameron Beck, Zachary Morlock, Ethan Pulic
9:30 am	Gabby Anderson, Hayden Conley, Luke Webb
11:30 am	Kate Marting, Jeremiah Pigue, Anna Reno

Ushers

5:00 pm	Helen Stewart, Dixie Garrett, Darleen Allmeroth, Ralph Munzlinger, Don Brooks, Ken Ganey
7:30 am	Steve Morlock, Jeff Eschbach, Larry Lammert, John Nahlik, Ted Hempen, Vince Rocchio
9:30 am	Steve Freihaut, Larry Whitworth, Trisha Larson, Chuck Phillips, Patrick Craig, Carl Boyer
11:30 am	Larry Bottchen, John Holmes, David Holmes, Kevin Huss, Paul McDonnell, Mary Buckey

Absent from the body, present with our Lord.

In your kindness pray for the repose of the soul

Alice Aubuchon, former parishioner

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



January 24th

Theresa Haug,
 Mary Copeland,
 Ed Kelemen,
 Darleen Allmeroth
 Margaret Gerling
 and Sandy Million

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Cycle A**



THEME: Let there be no divisions among you.

There is a sense of joy in today's readings and also a sense of purpose. There is a looking backwards to what God has accomplished and a vision forward for what yet can be. What yet can be flows from Jesus' call to others to be His followers, His call to others to travel with Him, to share in His mission. There is a sense that what God has accomplished for us leads us forward.

THE READINGS:

FIRST READING: Isaiah 8:23-9:3

The first reading is taken from the Book of Isaiah and provides the fulfillment quotation Matthew will use in the Gospel reading. The reading from Isaiah comes from the first section of the book, dated to the eighth century, that turbulent time when Assyria destroyed the Northern Kingdom of Israel and threatened the Kingdom of Judah. The imagery of Isaiah speaks of joy, unity and hope. In the survival of the Southern Kingdom, in the vision of God's plan for all His people, even the remnant of the north can see light and find joy. Isaiah's imagery embraces even the separated brothers and sisters of the Northern Kingdom. There is but one people of God.

But more than this, Isaiah has a universal outlook. He is influenced by the Jerusalem theology that celebrated God's election of a people, but also saw that God's choice of Israel was for a purpose – to bring light, to bring God's blessing, love and favor to all the nations of the world, to invite all people to experience God's election. In the end, what God accomplishes for His Chosen People is a sign of hope for all the world, hope for God's blessings and peace.

SECOND READING: I Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

The second reading comes from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. In writing to the communities that he had established, Paul intended to answer questions and deal with problems and misunderstandings. A major problem in the community of Corinth was division. Corinth was a cross-roads city in the ancient world, a trade center, a city inhabited by a diverse mix of people. On his missionary journeys, Paul favored establishing Christian communities in just such cities. He would begin by preaching in the local synagogue and then expand his audience to include the Gentiles. The communities he founded included people with a wide variety of social and cultural backgrounds. In such contexts, it was easy for groups within the community to understand and interpret Paul's message solely in terms of their own backgrounds and exclude believers who came from different backgrounds, those with a different social status.

Paul wrote to the Corinthian community to combat this divisiveness. In Jesus Christ, God had acted for the sake of all people. His action within the community of His Chosen People was to be a means of unity for all people. All are reconciled to God in Christ. No one can lay claim to special favor as if by right. If we are chosen, it is to bring God's light and blessing to others. In Paul's letter, we see Isaiah's vision made concrete, working itself out in a world where diverse people were uniting and in uniting were taking on the mission of spreading the promise of unity and peace to all.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 4:12-23

The Gospel reading is taken from Matthew. It is significant that one of the first things Jesus does when He takes up His public life is to call followers. Matthew's Gospel was written for a community of believers who had their roots in the Jewish faith and the story draws out comparisons between Jesus and the Pharisees as teachers of God's word and will. In the circle of Pharisees, it was common for students to seek out a teacher, for the teacher to evaluate the worthiness of the candidate, and then take on only the select few. Jesus, on the other hand, seeks out His followers and chooses them not from the educated elite, but from the common people. His actions display His message – "Change." The change He calls for is a change of attitude, a change of vision. It is a change that includes people, includes them as part of God's plan, a change in attitude that no longer divides people by membership or standing in special groups, as insiders or outsiders based on social or cultural status, but solely on accepting the simple fact that God loves His people, chooses His people to work with Him in shedding His light, who cares for all creation.

At the beginning of the Season of Ordinary Time, we hear again Jesus' call to His followers and we hear that call issued to us. Like the original disciples, we have a choice, the choice to change long-standing attitudes and practices and let ourselves be chosen by our God on His terms, or to hold on to preconceived notions of how God ought to operate in our world. For those who can embrace change, for those who can embrace God's call on His terms, there is a grand vision of what can be, a vision of a world of unity and peace, a world of justice and mercy and love, a vision that we can share, a vision that we can help to bring to reality.

FOR REFLECTION:

- When I consider what God has done for me in my life, how does my realization of what was given me a vision of what can be? How easy is it to trust that vision?
- When I consider what God has done for me, can I use that gift to heal what separates me from others? Do I want to?
- What are the divisions in my world, my community, my Church, my family that need healing, that need to be overcome? How easy is it for me to hang on to a sense of who is right and who is wrong to maintain those divisions?
- What does it mean to me to assert that I am chosen, that Jesus has chosen me to be His follower? What does it mean to me to assert that Jesus has chosen me to change?
- In affirming that I am a disciple of Jesus, what vision do I have to offer to the world? What can I do to make that vision a reality? How much do I need others to help me work to make that vision a reality?