

# Our Lady Queen of Peace

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January 23, 2011



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## PHONES

Parish Office

671-3062

School

671-0247

Cafeteria

375-5335

## SCHEDULE OF HOLY MASSES

Saturday Evening

5:00pm

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

Sunday

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

Holy Days

as announced

Weekdays

8:00am

## PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday after 8:00am Mass

## ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS

2nd Monday of each month after 8:00am Mass

## ROSARY FOR PEACE

Every Monday evening at 7:30pm

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

Make arrangements by calling Parish Office

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday

4:00 - 4:45pm or by appointment

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

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

## STEPHEN MINISTRY

314-223-8751

## YOUTH MINISTRY

314-566-8363



## Upcoming OLQP Parish Events

### 2011

#### January

- Sun 23 **Surf and Turf Dinner** Cafeteria  
 Fri 28 **Junior High Trivia Night** Cafeteria

#### February

- Sat 12 **Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance**  
 KC Hall

Sat/Thur 19-24 **Parish Mission**

- Sat 26 **Daughter's Antique Appraisal  
 Sale and Tea** Cafeteria

#### March

- Wed 9 **Ash Wednesday**  
 Sun 20 **Red Hat Bingo** KC Hall  
 Wed 30 **Confirmation** 7:30pm Church

#### April

- Sat 16 **Athletic Association Trivia Night**  
 Sun 24 **Easter**  
 Sat 30 **Daughters Tailgate Sale**

#### May

- Sun 1 **First Communion**  
 Sun 15 **Daughters May Crowning**

#### June

- Sat 11 **OLQP PARISH PICNIC**

#### August

- Sat 20 **Daughters Tailgate Sale**

#### September

- Sun 25 **OLQP Quilt Social** KC Hall

#### October

- Sat 1 **Hoedown**  
 Sat 8 **Harvest Moon Auction** KC Hall  
 Sun 16 **Daughters Fashion Show** KC Hall



### Surf & Turf

On Sunday January 23, Deacon Paul and his team of world class chefs will be providing us with a Surf & Turf Dinner which will entail fried fish **or** chicken fried steak **or** both. The price of the meal includes two side dishes. You can choose between mashed potatoes and pepper gravy, French fries, spaghetti, green beans or corn.

But wait. If you actually show up, there is more. Deacon Paul will throw in a free dinner roll and your choice of Peach or Blackberry Cobbler!! Wow, I just gained 4.5 lbs. just thinking about this deal. Please take the time to come up to the church cafeteria between noon and 7pm this Sunday and enjoy an awesome dinner with your fellow parishioners while at the same time supporting the parish.

**Note:** Please do not confuse Deacon Paul's fish with Mrs. Paul's fish!

### Why are you limping?

I get asked this question so many times; I thought I would explain why I sometimes limp. Besides a blatant attempt to garner sympathy, the cause of my limping is arthritis. I have arthritis throughout my entire body. My left hip was replaced in 2006 and my right hip will be replaced within a couple of years followed by my left shoulder and possibly a knee. On some days I limp because of the pain and on other days I limp because I don't trust my right hip even if there is no pain at the moment. It looks worse than it actually is. The only time I really suffer is when I can't out run Fr. Molitor to the coffee pot in the morning.

fr. mike

There was a pair of glasses  
 found in the cafeteria last week.  
 Please call the Parish office,  
 671-3062, if you lost them.



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

This program is for engaged couples and will fulfill the Archdiocese requirement for a marriage preparation program. The program will be offered starting February 13, 2011 and last through March 6, 2011 from 6:00 to 9:00pm. The sessions will be facilitated by Deacon Tom and Margaret Gerling. To register or for more information please call Linda, 671-3062, at the Parish office.

Note: There is a cost of \$25.00 for the program.

*BINGO  
Knights of Columbus Hall  
Every Friday Night  
Doors open at 4:30pm  
Bingo starts 6:45pm*



We will have our monthly brown bag lunch on Monday, January 24, at 11:30am at the Knights Hall.

Hope everyone can make it.

**RCIA**

We meet every Monday evening at 7pm in the Cafeteria meeting room. All parishioners or guests are invited to sit in on any of our sessions when the topic being discussed might interest them.

Upcoming sessions:

January 17 -Who is Jesus Christ

January 24 -The Early Church



**YOUTH MINISTRY**

Please Pray for the Pro Life Pilgrimage  
It is time once again for the Annual Pro Life March in Washington, D.C. Please 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 43 people from OLQP traveling to Washington, D.C. on January 23-25 to be ambassadors for LIFE will have a safe, healthy and successful trip. We have 11 of our Confirmation youth, 7 high school youth and 25 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 continues 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. Sues 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.

**Wednesday Nights**

We have new and improved Wednesday Youth Nights. Try joining us to share fun and faith from 6-8pm. The Youth Nights will be more fun with more fun youth so consider meeting us in the Bear's Den on Wednesday evenings.

Terry Ostlund, Youth Minister  
314-566-8363

**Dial-A-Saint**

For an inspirational message about the Saint of the Day please call (314) 421-4775. The message changes daily.

**Fr. Don's "Church History" Class**  
**We meet in the Cafeteria meeting room every Tuesday evening from 7 to 8:30pm.**



**Parish Corner**

Every week a different organization is featured in the bulletin. The following week they have representatives in the Church lobby to talk about their organization and sign up potential members.

No Organization this week

**Winter Bible Study**

Winter Bible Study group will meet in the Cafeteria meeting room at 7:00pm every Thursday. The session will meet for 10 weeks and the topic will be the Gospel of Matthew. If anyone is interested please call the Parish office, 671-3062, or e-mail me at [frbeighlie@olqpparish.org](mailto:frbeighlie@olqpparish.org) so we know the number of copies to print.

**Stephen Ministry**

Just call Stephen Ministers the "after" people  
 ...after you find the pink slip in what's now your final paycheck;  
 ...after the doctors have said there's nothing more they can do;  
 ...after the relationship ends but the wounds are still bleeding;  
 after family and friends have heard your story one too many times but you still need to talk it out.  
 That's when a Stephen Minister will step in.  
 A confidential, free and very helpful service, Stephen Ministry serves people who are struggling with a special need or going through a difficult time. To learn how you can receive care call Margaret, 314-223-8751.

All calls and sessions are confidential.



God bless you!

**Does Anyone Know?**

We're missing six brown folding chairs that were taken from the Cafeteria meeting room during the Christmas holidays. All inquiries to staff and organizations has turned up an, "I don't know, not me!" If someone has borrowed them for a Christmas party or something else and forgot to bring them back, please do so.

Just for your information, we have a policy that parishioners may borrow tables and chairs for their use, but there is a form that must be filled out at the Parish office, so we can keep track of how many are gone and who has borrowed them. Thank you for your cooperation.

Parish Facilities Committee

**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: How, if we do not love God, we cannot love our neighbor, and if we do not love our neighbor we cannot love God.

Antique Appraisal, Sale, and Tea  
 Sponsored by The Daughters of Isabella  
 Saturday, February 26, 11am - 2pm  
 Our Lady Queen of Peace Cafeteria  
 Appraisals conducted by Joan Komlos of "Joan and David Estate Sales." Cost will be \$10 for 3 items (with reservations) or \$12 at the door. This includes light refreshments and tea. Appraisals reflect the insurance value only.

There will be a table available (if you wish to sell your appraised Antique items) a 10% fee of sale will be assessed.

For information, contact Fran, 375-3774 or Nancy 274-1981.



**Knights of Columbus  
 Free Throw Contest**

**Tuesday, January 25th, 7 - 8:30pm  
 Brennan Woods Elementary  
 Boys and Girls Ages 10 - 14**

Please bring proof of child's age - either birth certificate or sports ID card. Parents need to fill out a consent form.

**Our Lady Queen of Peace  
 Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance  
 Join us in this Celebration of Love  
 Saturday, February 12**

We will begin the evening with 5pm Mass and a renewal of marriage vows. Dinner and dancing will follow at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Tickets are \$40 per couple and go on sale this weekend after Mass. The ticket price includes dinner, beer, soda and wine.

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 a table now. Hope you can join us.

For more information email Tom at [tlakin6403@gmail.com](mailto:tlakin6403@gmail.com) or René at [heibeck1@msn.com](mailto:heibeck1@msn.com)



**"Surf & Turf" Dinner**

Our Lady Queen of Peace Cafeteria  
 Sunday January 23, 2011  
 Noon til 7:00 PM

**Menu**

- Fried Fish or Chicken Fried Steak Plate--\$8.00
- Combo "Surf and Turf" Plate -----\$9.00
- Child's Chicken Rings and Fries Plate----\$3.00

Sides: Pick any Two

- Mashed Potatoes and Pepper Gravy;
- French Fries; Spaghetti; Green Beans or Corn

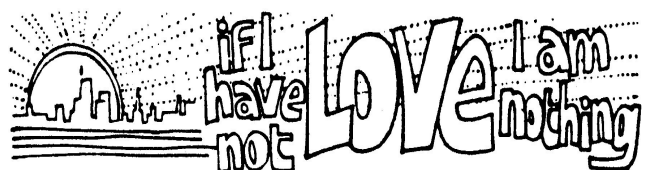
**Dinners Include**

Dinner Roll

Choice of: Peach or Blackberry Cobbler

Drinks: Coffee; Lemonade; Iced Tea;

Beer @ \$2.00/can





**St. Gerard Majella  
Presentation on Annulments**

Please join us on Sunday, January 23, from 6-7 pm in the Church at St. Gerard Majella Parish (at Ballas and Dougherty Ferry Road in Kirkwood, MO) with Rev. Msgr. James Ramacciotti, J.C.L, for a presentation on annulments. Hear what the Church really teaches about this often misunderstood subject. Monsignor will be available for individual questions following his talk.

**St. Gerard Majella  
Understanding Reconciliation**

Please join us on Sunday, January 30, from 6-7 pm at St. Gerard Majella Church, Bishop Robert Hermann, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, will join us to talk about reconciliation. Bishop Hermann's down-to-earth style and seasoned wisdom will help lead us to a greater understanding of God's enduring love, mercy and forgiveness.

**Seven Days of Inspiration**

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

Glance out the window often,  
and you're sure to chance  
upon something beautiful  
you didn't expect to see!



Today, plant a word of  
love in someone's life and  
watch what happens.



Writing about your  
troubles releases them and  
lets your spirit soar.



If you think you can,  
you will!



Other people know you're  
special - do you?



You are enough. Nothing  
more is required of you  
than to be yourself.

You are perfect,  
just as God intended.



Your smile makes  
everyone else's day brighter!

**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 Parish Office 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 \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle one:

New Registration

Address or phone number change

Moving out of parish

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Our next Eucharistic Adoration is  
Wednesday, January 26  
From 1:00pm – 8:00pm.

**2010 Contribution Statement**

If you would like a 2010 Contribution statement please send a note (marked "Linda") to the Parish office, put it in the collection basket or call the Parish office, 671-3062. Thank you so much.

*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 provided) 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

**Our Lady Queen of Peace  
Jr. High Trivia Night  
Friday, January 28th**

**Fun-Prizes-Fun-Refreshments-Fun  
Doors open at 6:45pm  
Game begins at 7pm**

**Open to all students in grades 6,7 and 8  
\$8 per person, 4 to 6 students per table  
Don't miss out!**

**Get your friends together now!  
Fun-Prizes-Fun-Refreshments-Fun  
For more information, please contact  
René, 314-691-1203  
Robin, 636-274-2665**

*Absent from the body present with our Lord.  
In your kindness pray for the repose of the soul*

**Gene Eder, of our community**

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

**SUNDAY OFFERING**

Our Gifts to God and Parish Last Week  
**248 Envelopes Used**

**Special Collections**

Seminary	\$	10.00
St. Louis Review	\$	1,026.00

**New Building Fund**

Lavender Envelopes	\$	619.00
Total Received to date	\$	684,223.28

**Offertory**

Sunday Envelopes	\$	8,891.00
Sunday Loose	\$	460.00
Above and Beyond	\$	45.00
Christmas	\$	30.00
First Offering	\$	105.00
Present and Future	\$	15.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$	55.00
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,601.00</b>
<b>Offertory Goal</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,699.00</b>

*Thank you for your generosity.*

**As of January 17, 2011**

Contributions Year To Date	\$	354,392.89
Projected Year to Date Budget	\$	397,271.00

Script gift cards are available in the Parish Office from 8am to 4:30pm Monday through Friday and every weekend after Mass.

**STEWARDSHIP**

January 23, 2011

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Come after me..."*

Matthew 4:19

In our crazy, success-driven, materialist world we all get caught up in chasing after many dreams, wants and ambitions. Yet, with three simple words, Jesus tells us clearly that the only one we should be following after is Him. "Come after me," is not just an invitation that Jesus extended to the first apostles. It is an invitation that He extends to each of us every day of our lives.

**Parish Activities**

Mon	Jan 24	PSR, 6:15-7:30pm RCIA, 7pm, Cafeteria meeting room Rosary for Peace, 7:30pm, Church
Tues	Jan 25	Devotions after 8am Mass Quilters, 9am - 3pm, 6 - 8:30pm, Activity Center "Church History" class, 7pm, Cafeteria meeting room
Wed	Jan 26	<b>Eucharistic Adoration, 1-8pm, Church</b> Youth Night, 6-8pm, Bear's Den
Thurs	Jan 27	Choir Practice, 7pm, Church Winter Bible Study, 7pm, Cafeteria meeting room
Fri	Jan 28	Jr. High Trivia Night, 7pm, Cafeteria
Sun	Jan 30	Catholic Schools Week begins

**Mass Intentions**

Mon	Jan 24	8:00am	Robert Crean
Tues	Jan 25	8:00am	Mary Myers Intentions
Wed	Jan 26	8:00am	Barry Flakes Intention
Thurs	Jan 27	8:00am	Warren & Bernice Dierks
Fri	Jan 28	8:00am	Alice Nahlik
Sat	Jan 29	5:00pm	Deceased Members of Ruddle Family
Sun	Jan 30	7:30am	Deceased Knights and Ladies Auxiliary Council 6435
		9:30am	People of the Parish
		11:30am	Lou Duchinsky

**January 29th and 30th  
Special Ministers of the Eucharist**

5:00 pm	Christine Camden, Clay Gregorc, Katie Tutass, *Sandy Munzlinger, *Denise Ortmann, Shirley Tenny, Maryann Turek
7:30 am	*Mary Bjornstad, Ken Bohnert, *Patsy Boyer, Vicki De Long, Joyce & Michael Ruopp, Joyce Stenger
9:30 am	Tom Broadbent, * Mary Copeland, Barb Perez, * Carol Delue, Bruce Gallion, Pat Hoskins, Deb Pigue, Helen Salamone
11:30 am	*Debbie Cleek, Angie Ecker, Paul McDonnell, *Barb Oppelz, Len Reinhardt, Joan Ross, Maria Webb

\* You are responsible to clean the vessels after Mass

**Proclaimers**

5:00 pm	Peggy Mikko, Richard Ortmann
7:30 am	Bev Gregory, Andrea Lawson
9:30 am	Tom Mattingly, Nora Suhovecky
11:30 am	Mary & Tom Heeley

**Servers**

5:00 pm	Madison Becnel, Rachel Cundy, Ashley Marks
7:30 am	Ann Kenney, Z. Morlock, Sabrina Otzenberger
9:30 am	Bailey & Marissa Ginger, Delaney Lawson
11:30 am	Joey & Tommy Carbone, Corey McNeely

**Ushers**

5:00 pm	Larry Bottchen, Bill & Donna Clifton, Arnie Lohbeck, Ron Williams, 1 needed
7:30 am	Gerald Bachmann, Carl Boyer, Ted Hempen, Steve Morlock, Richard Rousseau, 1 needed
9:30 am	Tim Diffey, Steve Freihaut, Lee Hoffman, Jeff Queen, Dale Sudholt, Lloyd Young
11:30 am	Don Brooks, Gary Freihaut, Kevin Huss, Paula Schroeder, Ben Slodkowski, David Witt

**Please pray for those who are ill  
(parishioners are in bold)**

<b>Jackie Nappier</b>	<b>Andy Nappier</b>
<b>Jean Duda</b>	<b>Vince Ferrara</b>
<b>Dottie Buchheit</b>	<b>Jo Ann Vess</b>
<b>Sam Pierceall</b>	<b>Gerry Schroeder</b>
<b>Alec Poulsen</b>	<b>Augie Hoeft</b>

- Tom Brooks, relative of Greenwell, Johnson & Williams family
- Erin Stark, daughter of Jim and Judy Winfrey
- Young Cha Pogolorski, wife of Terry Pogolorski
- Kay Oestman, sister of Maureen Turney
- Allen Chott, nephew of Judy Mottert
- Dorothy Langan, mother of Jane Saggio
- Tracy Musselwhite, niece of Lynette Rawlins
- Rachel Preston, granddaughter of Lynette Rawlins
- Jimmy Rawlins, son of Lynette Rawlins
- Dave Haig, friend of Ken and Jan DeClue
- Shirley Hussey, sister-in-law of Cathy Eimer
- Louise Gunter, mother of Lynette Rawlins

~ 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.

**Parish Office email**  
[parishoffice@olqpparish.org](mailto:parishoffice@olqpparish.org)  
**OLQP Web Site**  
[www.olqpparish.org](http://www.olqpparish.org)  
**submit articles for bulletin**  
[olqpbulletin@yahoo.com](mailto:olqpbulletin@yahoo.com)  
**Deadline Tuesday at 4:30 pm**  
**Inserts - Monday at noon**



January 28  
 Mary Jo Dawson,  
 Mary Ann Whitecotton,  
 Angie Tarter,  
 Debbie O'Donnell  
 and Carol Delue



**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Cycle A**



**THEME: Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.**

What is it that we need to know to live well? What is it that allows us to live ordinary time as members of God's Kingdom? Today's readings consider the community of faith, the characteristics we can develop to promote justice and peace in our midst, the sense of who we are that roots us with our brothers and sisters as God's people in the midst of the world.

**THE READINGS:**

**FIRST READING:** Zephaniah 2:3. 3<sup>12-13</sup>

The first reading from the Prophet Zephaniah, deals with a new idea in Israel's experience, the notion of a faithful remnant. In tradition, Zephaniah is associated with the royal line of Judah and it seems that he was active in Jerusalem prior to the Babylonian crisis, making him a contemporary of Jeremiah. In typical prophetic fashion, Zephaniah announces God's

judgment on the nations of the world, including Israel, for injustice, for arrogance and a sense of self-sufficiency that recognizes no need for God.

In earlier, Israelite tradition there was a sense of a corporate personality. Israel, as God's chosen people, was considered as a single entity. The actions of individuals were not distinguished from the actions of the corporate body. Gradually, over time, Israel began to recognize that the actions of individuals impacted the life of the whole, but that there was individual accountability, that there was such a thing as personal responsibility and, therefore, the possibility of a remnant, the possibility of a community of those who lived God's justice. This idea will be developed much more fully later in the Babylonian period in the writings of Ezekiel. What is significant here is that there is a shift in the understanding of God's people. It is not sufficient to be a descendant of Abraham. What constitutes the people of God is a life of righteousness, of right relations with God and other people.

**SECOND READING:** I Corinthians 1:26-31

The second reading is from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. The particular problem that Paul deals with in his correspondence with the Corinthians is division in the community, division spurred on by claims to wisdom, authority, divergent teachings of supposedly greater value. Paul reminds the Corinthian community of the insight of Zephaniah – that humility and righteousness are the hallmarks of the community of believers, the faithful remnant. As kings and princes in the time of the Babylonian crisis trusted in claims of human power, members of the Corinthian community were finding a sense of power – and division – in human wisdom. In both cases, there was the temptation to ignore the wisdom of God that calls us to live simply, to live justly, to live peacefully with all others, relying on God to meet our needs.

## GOSPEL READING: Matthew 5:1-12

The Gospel reading is from Matthew's Sermon on the Mount, the first of Matthew's discourses that functions as a summary statement of the teaching of Jesus. The Sermon begins with the Beatitudes, statements that echo the *ashre* (Happy are they...) statements found in the wisdom traditions of Israel. These statements function as encapsulations of what it means to accept Jesus, to be His disciple, to live in the Kingdom of Heaven that, in Jesus, draws near. The rest of the sermon, in the manner of Moses' discourses on the Law in the Old Testament, will spell out the meaning of these statements.

The Beatitudes begin and end with statements that note the happiness, the blessedness of those for whom the Kingdom of Heaven is intended. These are the poor in spirit and those persecuted for the sake of the Kingdom. The poor in spirit includes those who are materially poor, but Matthew broadens the perspective. Spirit refers to "soul" or "life force." The poor in spirit are those with a weak life force, those without power or influence in the world, those who can't make any false claim to self-sufficiency. These are people who know what it is to need, and in knowing this realize their dependence on God. In the face of those who claim power and self-sufficiency, these are the persecuted, those who, at best, are easy to dismiss, at worst are oppressed. But those who know need, know God's compassion and find a place in His Kingdom.

People who can recognize need and a dependence on God will be those most concerned with what is just and right, but more than that, with what is compassionate and merciful. In the end, they are those who will work to overcome differences – the peacemakers and these will be known as sons of God. This is nothing short of participation in Jesus who has been identified as God's own son in whom He is pleased.

Flowing from the Beatitudes, the Sermon on the Mount will proceed to present God's will and teaching in a way that shows that the fulfillment of God's will is found in life, in making peace, in promoting justice, maintaining right relationships, and seeking the good of others in love.

What constitutes the people of God? It is not the majority or powerful elite, but the remnant, those who live righteousness and justice. It is not those who

boast of earthly wisdom, but those who boast of God and His grace and favor. It is those who are happy and blessed because they recognize their common dependence on God and live right relationships, live justice, live mercy, live love and peace.

**FOR REFLECTION:**

- What is it that I need to know to live well? In my life as a Christian, what is it that I seek?
- How responsible am I for the well-being of my community? How responsible is my community (neighborhood, parish, nation) for my well-being? What evidence do I see of Zephaniah's "faithful remnant" in my world? What is its role?
- Where do I find wisdom to live by? Is the wisdom I profess inclusive or divisive? What does it mean to me when Paul says, "Let him who would boast, boast in the Lord?"
- In what areas of my life am I weak? How is that weakness, in fact, strength? How do I make sense of the Beatitudes? What is so happy or fortunate about being poor in spirit, mournful, hungering for righteousness and justice, persecuted? How am I blessed by having to try to make peace in hurtful and divisive situations?

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