

Advent Cover

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PHONES

Rectory	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 in bulletin
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, 671-3062

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	274-2269
HOLY ORDERS/RELIGIOUS LIFE	314-792-6460
YOUTH MINISTRY	314-566-8363 or 671-0302

SUNDAY OFFERING

Our Gifts to God and Parish Last Week
251 Envelopes Used

Special Collections

Human Development	\$	51.00
Latin America	\$	2.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	225.00

New Building Fund

Lavender Envelopes	\$	785.00
Total Received to date	\$	595,113.55

Offertory

Sunday Envelopes	\$	10,677.00
Sunday Loose	\$	769.34
Above and Beyond	\$	1,265.00
Assumption	\$	2.00
Present and Future	\$	30.00
Total Offertory	\$	12,743.34
Offertory Goal	\$	13,300.00

Thank you for your generosity.

As of November 30, 2009

Contributions Year To Date	\$	269,238.33
Projected Year to Date Budget	\$	292,600.00

Together We're Better Certificates

Sales	\$	1,435.00
Profits for this week	\$	31.37

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

**Parish Office will be closed
on Tuesday, Dec. 8th,
in observance of
Immaculate Conception.**

STEWARDSHIP

"And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value..." Philipians 1:9-10

Glittery holiday ads can blind us to our stewardship values and distort our needs and wants. It is important that during this season of endless buying we remember that each of us also has the need to give back to God.

Pastor's Notes



A few words about the Faith for the Future Campaign for the Seminary. First, let me again say thank you to so many who have signed their pledge cards and to all of those who have made contributions to this campaign. The students, our future priests, appreciate your sacrifice and prayers in keeping Kenrick functioning in a safe and up to date environment. Second, to those who have been wondering about the various letters that went out to families, I understand that so far 3 letters have been sent out. One letter went to families that the fundraising company thought might be able to make major contributions. A second letter went out as a general solicitation (I have not seen this letter). A third letter went out to families that were receiving packets with the first letter for a major gift from me. That letter went out because volunteers were supposed to go "door to door" to solicit these funds. Instead, I sent a letter to those families asking them to instead come by the parish and pick up their packets. Please keep in mind that this is not how I would personally run a capital campaign here, and, I was told that I had to follow this company's campaign or the parish would have to be responsible for making its goal of \$190,000 - I hope you will understand that I did not feel that I could put OLQP in that situation having just gotten us back up on our feet financially. I know that there are some parishioners upset about various aspects of this campaign, but in the end, even though lots of us may have had some concerns about letters, goals, or timing, the important aspect is keeping in mind that if we want to keep the seminary open and operating - - - training priests for the future- - - some kind of campaign had to be undertaken.

Peace,
Fr. PC



YOUTH MINISTRY

Are You a Holy Family?

Many artists over the years, have painted pictures and created statues depicting the holy family. The art work seems to portray the holy family as calm and stress free. There is only a small portion of scripture that paints a picture of the holy family but it is a very important picture. The picture painted in Matthew and Luke's gospels are pictures of extraordinary events not because they were stress free but because Jesus was invited into the very center of each of them. When the angel came to Mary and invited her to be the mother of Jesus and she said yes, her ordinary life became extraordinary. Mary and Joseph had some very challenging times but because Jesus was at the very center of their lives they were blessed and they knew it. When we invite Jesus to be the center of our family life that is when we also become a holy family. Our ordinary lives are transformed into something that is extraordinary. Holy families don't live stress free and calm lives all the time but they do know that they are always blessed. They daily invite Jesus into the messiness of their family life. Enjoy the many opportunities that Advent gives us to grow in our holiness as a family.

Thanks to the Confirmation Candidates, Sponsors and Parents

Last Sunday evening 44 of the 46 Confirmation youth gathered with their sponsors and parents to attend Sunday Mass together and to commit to working hard to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Archbishop Carlson will come on Wednesday, May 12th for Confirmation. Please pray for these youth as they prepare their hearts, minds and souls for this Sacrament.

Sunday Youth Nights

All high school youth are invited to meet on Sunday evenings in the Bear's Den from 6-8pm for fun, friendship and faith sharing. In December we will meet on Dec. 6th, after the Youth Mass and on Dec. 13th but will not meet on Dec. 20th so you can stay home and study for exams. We will not meet on Sunday, Dec. 27th because we will have our Christmas lock-in on Monday, Dec. 28th. Look in your Christmas card for more details on the Lock-in. See you on Sunday evening!

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Our next Eucharistic Adoration is
Wednesday, December 30
From 1:00pm - 8:00pm.



Parish Corner
Pro Life

The PRO-LIFE organization is entrusted with the responsibility of protecting ALL LIFE from conception until natural death. There is a great need in our modern society to remind each of us that EVERY LIFE is sacred. As an organization, the pro-life forum is kept current on legislation and how to participate in "LIFE" affirming outcomes. The main avenue for communication is an information forum via email. With the email alerts, fellow pro-lifers are invited to participate and become involved on many levels from letter writing to phone calls to legislators. Information is the key to each of us knowing where the pro-life agenda is focusing, on both the local and the national level.

Parishioners are also invited to participate in a host of activities from baby showers, LIFE CHAIN, the Washington, D.C. Bus Caravan to letter writing campaigns. There are opportunities to view films which bring different subjects such as euthanasia to partial-birth abortion to the forefront for discussion.

Another key component to the Pro-Life commitment is the willingness to support a woman in crisis pregnancy on the home front. When a person hears of a need, that need is confidentially hot lined to our contact person and materials or services are put into place to support the woman as she makes a LIFE AFFIRMING choice. Sometime the needs are very basic such as diapers and formula. However sometimes they entail crisis counseling or assistance in finding emergency shelter. Resourcing and post-abortive counsel are also within the scope of responsibility. To become involved on any level, please contact the OLQP organization directly.

Cathy Gansmann, OLQP chairman
Catherinegansmann@aol.com

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

Norm Schultz,
cousin of Liz Scanga and Robbi Fischer

Dudley Ruopp,
father of Michael Ruopp

Kenneth Goodin,
brother of Trish Guethle

Michael Marty
of our community

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

Monday Afternoon Bible Study

Our Monday afternoon Scripture Study is moving into 1 and 2 Peter. Please join us in the Rectory at 1:15pm with Fr. Don. All are welcome.

RCIA

RCIA meets every Monday evening at 7pm in the Field House. Please join us and learn more about our faith.

Winter Scripture Study Session

Fr. Beighlie will begin the Winter Scripture Study Session on January 19th. The program will run through March 23rd. This session will concentrate on storytelling in the Bible, explore the artistry of biblical stories and examine how ancient storytelling techniques contributed to the formation of God's revealing word.

The sessions will be held in the Field House from 7 to 8:30pm and are designed to give participants a chance to consider what God's revealing word says to us in the context of our modern world. For more information, or to sign up for a session, please contact the Parish Office, 671-3062, or contact Fr. Beighlie at frbeighlie@olqpparish.org.

Vespers

Come join us on all Sunday Evenings of Advent for Evening Vespers at 6:00pm. Vespers are the sung version of evening prayer.

Memorial Mass
at OLQP for
Jo DeWitt
Saturday, December 12
10:30am

Church Decorating Tuesday, December 22, 2pm

The Arts and Environment Committee will be decorating the church for the Christmas Season on Tuesday, December 22, beginning at 2pm. If you are available to give your time and talent, please join us. Many hands make light work. Thank you in advance and God bless you.

Jesse Tree

Thank you for helping make Christmas special for some of the needy in our area. We appreciate your generosity. Please return all presents (with the tag attached) before the 11:30am Mass on Sunday, December 20.



God Bless You,
Jesse Tree Helpers

Time is a precious gift,
it is so precious
that God dispenses it to you
one second at a time - don't waste it.

St. Vincent De Paul

Do Your Christmas Sharing Early
Let your heart and means dictate what to share. Your contributions will enable our SVDP to deliver your Christmas message of good cheer to our needy neighbors.



Stephen Ministry



Stephen Ministers are trained to listen and walk with you during a crisis. To learn how you can receive care please call Margaret, 274-2269. All calls and

sessions are confidential.

God bless you!

OLQP Blood Drive
Monday, December 7th
2 to 7pm in the Cafeteria

Called To Be A Disciple

On Wednesday evening, December 16th, Fr. Beighlie will present an evening of prayer and reflection on our call to discipleship. The evening program will focus on the three synoptic Gospels (Mark, Matthew and Luke) and how they understand and present our mission to follow Jesus.

The program will feature Fr. Beighlie's presentation along with the opportunity to embrace our own call to discipleship and share what that means to us as we prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas and make our way through the world of daily life.

"Called To Be a Disciple" will be held in the Cafeteria from 7 to 8pm on the evening of the 16th. Please consider making this program a part of your Advent preparation for the coming feast of the Nativity.

Proclaimers/Eucharistic Ministers Meeting and Training Session

Saturday, December 12, 8:30 - 10am

There will be a short meeting on Saturday, December 12th from 8:30-10:00am in the Church for all current Proclaimers/Eucharistic Ministers. Anyone who signed up or who is interested in serving in one of these ministries is invited to attend. Also, there will be a training session following the meeting.

Sign Up Booklet for Christmas and New Year Masses

The Ministries Book for Christmas and or New Year Masses is on the counter in the back of church - if you would like to participate please sign up.

Elderly Parishioner Needs Help

An elderly parishioner has a broken outside water pipe that needs to be fixed. Please call the Parish Office, 671-3062 if you could fix this.

Thank you,
SVDP

OLQP School News



Did you know . . .

- The kindergartners are learning some words in Italian? They are studying the country of Italy for Enrichment class this quarter.
- The 4th graders are studying Australia for their Enrichment class? They have learned about Aborigines and the history of the boomerang. They even created their own boomerangs.
- The 8th graders are studying the Mysteries of the Rosary with Mrs. Ostlund?
- The 5th graders have a Championship Volleyball Team? Congratulations, 5th graders!!

OLQP Needs Small Refrigerator

OLQP school office's small refrigerator is dying a slow death. We use this refrigerator to keep the medicine for children in it. If anyone has a small college size refrigerator that they could donate, please call the school office, 671-0247. It would really be appreciated!

Seven Days of Inspiration

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

Give the gift of
your smile today.

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One special moment  
can last forever in  
your heart.

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Someone will name
you in their
prayers tonight.

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Collect compliments  
and shrug off slights.

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People say nice
things about you.

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Give yourself a  
second chance;  
you'd let someone  
else have one.

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Dream big!

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 _____

New Registration

Address or phone number change

Moving out of parish

Parish Activities

Mon	Dec 7	OLQP Blood Drive, 2-7pm, Cafeteria PSR, 6:15 - 7:30pm Immaculate Conception Mass, 6:30pm RCIA/Scripture Study, 7pm, FH Rosary for Peace, 7:30pm, Church
Tues	Dec 8	Immaculate Conception Masses, 6:15am, 8am, noon and 7pm Devotions after 8am Mass Quilters, 9am - 3pm, 6 - 8:30pm, Act. Ctr.
Wed	Dec 9	8am All School Mass
Fri	Dec 11	No Preschool
Sat	Dec 12	Proclaimer-EM Meeting and Training, 8:30-10am, Church Jo De Witt Memorial Mass, 10:30am, CH
Sun	Dec 13	Youth Mass, 6pm, Bear's Den Youth Night after Mass

Mass Intentions

Mon	Dec 7	8:00am	Poor Souls – Thanksgiving
		6:30pm	Ruby Hofstetter
Tues	Dec 8	6:15am	David Abel
		8:00am	Gary David
		12:00pm	Norma Jean Hymer
		7:00pm	Helen Krieg
Wed	Dec 9	8:00am	Redel Family
Thurs	Dec 10	8:00am	Robert Litts
Fri	Dec 11	8:00am	Theodore Smentkowski Family
Sat	Dec 12	5:00pm	Jim & Dot Hussey
Sun	Dec 13	7:30am	People of the Parish
		9:30am	Dave & Jeff Davis
		11:30am	Louise Gunter Intentions

**As You Pray This Week
Remember Those Who Are Sick**

- Cathy Gansmann
- Pamela Bruce
- Austin Schwent
- Susan Keilholz
- Henry Geerdes
- John Gibbs, Jr.
- Marilyn Elpers
- Tina Nahlik
- Jeanette Ellison
- Lynn Wilcoxon
- Martin Ponder
- Morris Singleton
- Bernice & Carl Grimwood
- Mary Fischer
- Eileen Miller
- Tracy Creighton
- Cliff Brandt
- Rob Frank
- Melvin Blocklinger
- Louise Gunter
- Oscar Buchheit
- Jackie Nappier
- Mary McFarland

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.

December 12th and 13th

Special Ministers of the Eucharist

5:00 pm	Sharon Alderson, Clay Gregorc
7:30 am	Ken Bohnert, Donna Clifton
9:30 am	Carl Boyer, Patsy Boyer
11:30 am	Angie Ecker, Carol Freihaut

Proclaimers

5:00 pm	Peggy Mikko, Richard Ortmann
7:30 am	Ann Riley, Linda Weber
9:30 am	Joanne David, Bud Waeltermann
11:30 am	Debbie Cleek, Laura Huss

Servers

5:00 pm	Taylor Fischbach, Paige Smith, Alicia Whitehead
7:30 am	Jackson & Teddy Bjornstad, Andrea Brown
9:30 am	Jaclyn Conley, Rebecca Pigue, Jodi Woolsey
11:30 am	Allie Gal, Johnny Gibson, Dylan Robb

Ushers

5:00 pm	Larry Bottchen, Arnie Lohbeck, Ralph Munzlinger, Don Reno, Richard Rousseau, Helen Stewart
7:30 am	Gerald Bachmann, Doug Bjornstad, Jeff Eschbach, Wally Freihaut, John Nahlik, Vince Rocchio
9:30 am	Tim Diffey, Steve Freihaut, Le Hoffman, Jeff Queen, Jane Saggio, Ray Wieschhaus
11:30 am	Gary Freihaut, Michael Harris, Kevin Huss, Andy Nappier, Alex & Paula Schroeder,

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www.olqpparish.org
Parish Office email
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submit articles for bulletin
olqpbulletin@yahoo.com
Deadline Tuesday at 4:30 pm
Inserts - Monday at noon



Cathy Carley,
Marie Strayhorn,
Debbie Maloney-Reeves,
Nancy Wilfong
and Renee Gerber

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