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By now, you've probably received the postcard regarding the new Mass times. But in case you haven't, I wanted to use my column this week to reiterate the reason for the upcoming change.

As you are aware, this spring our diocese began a strategic planning initiative called *Real Presence Real Future*. The plan was designed to evaluate diocesan offices, parish ministries, and demographic trends, and thus enable us to make decisions based on the information collected. Some of the results have been encouraging, and we plan to build on this information as we move forward here at Our Lady of Peace.

But the RPRF initiative has also forced us to face some hard facts for example, the declining number of priests. Last year, in response to this reality, Bishop Robert Brennan asked all parishes to evaluate Mass schedules. Here at OLP we decreased our weekend Masses from 4 to 3. Then during COVID, to allow plenty of time to clean and disinfect between Masses, we reorganized our Mass times. Now that we have the freedom to readjust our schedules, we have made the decision to change the Sunday Mass times to **8:45am and**11:30am. The time in-between the Masses will allow PSR, other ministries and social events to take place during that time. (The 4:30pm Saturday Mass will remain. Daily Mass times will also not change, except for Fridays, which will be our All School Mass and will begin at 8:15.)

Our new Mass times will go into effect the weekend of **September 11th and 12th**. I know change can be difficult, but I am confident that our new Mass schedule is healthy and practical for the Lord's Day!

Let us pray for one another as we continue to celebrate 75 years proclaiming the Gospel message.

Under the Protection of Our Lady of Peace, Fr. Dooley





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Every new "like" this week will be remembered by name in Fr. Dooley's personal prayers!

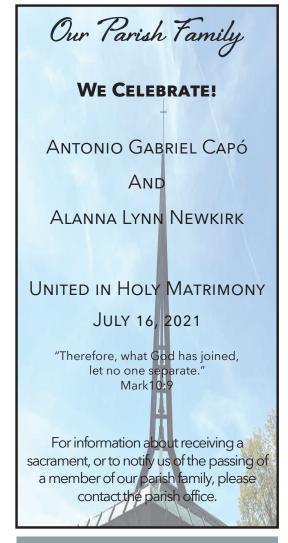
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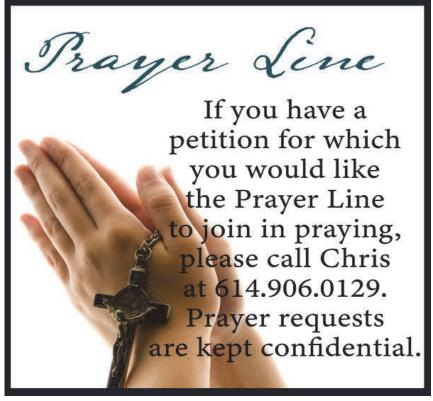
BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Please submit articles for the bulletin to olpbulletin@olp-parish.org no later than noon on the Monday prior to the weekend you want your article to appear.

(Articles for July 31/Aug 1 are due by Monday, July 26.)

MASS INTENTIONS			
Saturday, July 24 4:30	Steve Polis	Jerry and Carole Maxwell	
Sunday, July 25 9:30 Noon	Our Parishioners Tom Ridenour	Fran Ridenour	
Tuesday, July 27 5:30	Eleanor Walker	Charlotte Shay	
Wednesday, July 28 8:30	Fr. Graham Golden, O. Praem		
Thursday, July 29 8:30	Gertrude Zeyen	Theresa Kucsma	
Friday, July 30 8:30	Steve Polis	Charlotte Shay	
Saturday, July 31 4:30	Our Parishioners		
Sunday, August 1 9:30 Noon	Mark Douridas Ken and Betty Connor	Charlotte Shay Pat Connor	





BANNS OF MARRIAGE

MATT ZAMBON

AND

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AUGUST 7, 2021



PARISH FINANCIALS



PARISH MASTER REPORT AS OF JULY 16, 2021

Goal: \$84,992.52

Total Pledged: \$68,327.00

% of Goal Pledged: 80.4%

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Thank you for your support and generosity!

OFFERTORY

July 17/18	
Offertory at Mass	\$2,951.35
Mailed Contributions	\$2,680.00
Online Giving	\$1,469.25
TOTAL	\$7,100.60

JUNE Diocesan Collections	
Propagation of the Faith	\$100.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$350.00
Peter's Pence	\$225.00
Catholic Communications Campaign	\$5.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$20.00
TOTAL SENT TO DIOCESE	\$700.00

NEXT SPECIAL COLLECTION:

Church in Latin America: August 1, 2021

GIVE

and gifts will be
given to you; a good measure,
packed together, shaken
down, and overflowing, will
be poured into your lap. For
the measure with which you
measure will in return be
measured out to you.

Luke 6:38



The Monsignor Kenneth Grimes
Gymnasium Project

WE'RE GETTING CLOSER!

The response has been generous! We're looking forward to sharing an update with you soon.

THANK YOU!



We're putting several new practices and procedures in place for the return of liturgical ministries. To ensure everyone is properly trained, we're asking ALL liturgical ministers (new AND experienced) to attend a training session.

READERS:

Saturday, August 21 - 9:00am-10:00am
Training for new AND experienced readers

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Saturday, August 21 - 10:30am-11:30am
Training for new AND experienced Eucharistic Ministers

QUESTIONS?

Contact Julie Cottrill at jcottrill@olp-parish.org or 614.263.8824 ext. 001

TODAY IS THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY!

"It is important for grandparents to meet their grandchildren and for grandchildren to meet their



grandparents, because – as the prophet Joel says – grandparents, before their grandchildren, will dream, and have illusions [great desires], and young people, taking strength from their grandparents, will go forward and prophesy." – Pope Francis, 01.31.21







Save a life. Contact Congress.

WHAT

Congress is trying to force Americans to pay for abortion.

HOW

The Hyde Amendment and similar laws have protected taxpayers from funding elective abortion for 45 years. Now, powerful members of Congress want to take away these laws that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century.

WHAT HAPPENS WITHOUT THESE PROTECTIONS?

Billions of taxpayer dollars could be used to pay for abortion.

TAKE ACTION

Sign the petition to Congress at NoTaxpayerAbortion.com!

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NEW ALPHA SESSION STARTING SOON

Alpha is a place to explore the Christian faith with others. It's a series of conversations focused on the questions of life, faith, and meaning. Each session includes a time to connect with others, hear a talk on some element of faith, and then a chance for people to share their own questions and perspectives with the group.





WEDNESDAY JULY 28, 2021 (7PM-8:30PM)

Attention all Ministry Leaders! Please remember to RSVP to the upcoming workshop. (If you are the leader of a ministry at OLP, but did not receive an invitation to the workshop, please contact the office ASAP.)

RSVP to kwyatt@olp-parish.org by Monday, July 26.





Register

Parish families with children in grades PreK through 8 are invited to participate in our Parish School of Religion. PSR is a fun, interactive way to help your child learn about our Catholic Faith! Classes will begin on September 12, and will meet from 10-11:15am on Sunday mornings. Registration information is coming soon. Keep watching the bulletin for details!

Volunteer

We're always looking for faith-filled, energetic volunteers to teach, aide, and support our PSR kids. You don't have to be an expert in the Faith! All you need is a sincere love for Jesus Christ and His Church, and a willingness to share that love with our kids. There are many different types of volunteer opportunities available.

Contact

For more information, to volunteer, or to be added to our PSR mailing list, please contact Jennifer Pawley at jpawley@olp-parish.org.

Put Some Religion in your Sundays!



PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 12 after the 11:30 Mass

Sing-A-Long songs and crowd favorites by local musician, Chris Bare

BRING (ALMOST) EVERYTHING!
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ONLINE SALES WILL BEGIN SOON, SO KEEP WATCHING FOR DETAILS!

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING AWARENESS WEEK

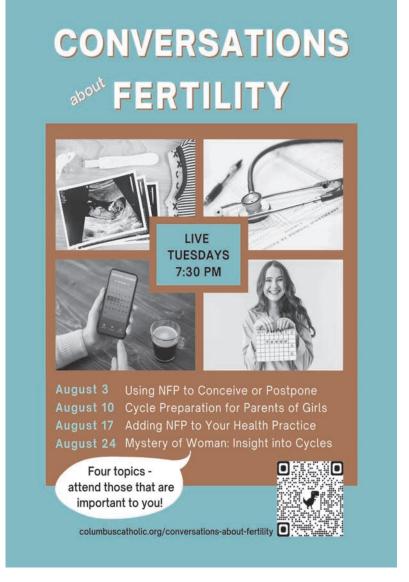
July 25-31, 2021

"To have ... To hold ... To honor, Natural Family Planning, Supporting God's gifts of love and life in marriage"

is the theme of this year's National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week, an educational campaign of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) to celebrate God's vision for marriage and promote the methods of Natural Family Planning.

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a general title for ethical, natural, safe and effective methods for both achieving and avoiding pregnancy in marriage. NFP methods teach couples how to observe and interpret the wife's signs of fertility and infertility. In the words of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, NFP methods "respect the bodies of the spouses, encourage tenderness between them and favor the education of an authentic freedom." (CCC, no. 2370) The Catholic Church invites all the faithful to embrace God's plan for married love. Learn more about these beautiful teachings which support the use of NFP in marriage at usccb.org/topics/natural-

family-planning/church-teaching.





Jennifer Fullin

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING COORDINATOR

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REAL PRESENCE, REAL FUTURE - SUMMER Q&A SESSIONS

Join CLI and Diocesan leaders to learn more about the *Real Presence*, *Real Future* initiative at Information Sessions throughout the summer. Each session will be similar consisting of an overview of the *Real Presence*, *Real Future* initiative, and the opportunity for your questions and comments. We want to hear from you! What are you hearing about RPRF? What is it? Why are we doing this?

Remaining Virtual Sessions from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

- Wednesday, July 28
- Wednesday, August 4
- Wednesday, August 11

Registration is required for each session, so sign up today at www.RealPresenceRealFuture.org.

17TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME-JULY 25, 2021

Real Presence, Real Future Reflections: Why Bother?

Deacon Jeff Carpenter, St. Bernadette, Lancaster

We have all felt like the apostles in the Gospel today. We see hunger, poverty, sickness, disaster, or other human suffering, but when we look at our resources, we feel we have so little to offer. We think why bother? Our connection to Jesus in the Real Presence gives us the courage to be like the apostles, offering what we can and trusting in the Lord to bring forth fruit. With a strong connection to Jesus through the regular reception of His presence in the Eucharist we are always aware that we are working with and for Him in all we do.

To read more about how we are growing together in the life of faith and discipleship in the Diocese of Columbus, visit www.RealPresenceRealFuture.org.





WHAT IS RCIA?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) is the process by which adults become Catholic. The first phase of RCIA is the Inquiry Period and it is informal and no commitment is required. This is a time for searching, asking questions, and sharing your faith story. It is also an opportunity to learn about our God, His Church and our parish. The goal of these initial sessions is to increase the awareness of God's presence in your life and help you discern your initial readiness to embrace a path of faith within the Roman Catholic Church. Sessions will begin in early September. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Deacon Jeffrey Fortkamp at 614.578.5420 or jdfortkamp@gmail.com.

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