

May 1, 2022—Third Sunday of Easter

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom & strength, honor and glory and blessing. -- Revelation 5:12



Our Lady Queen of Peace Church 708 Erie Street ~ Grafton, Ohio

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MASS SCHEDULE

Church

Saturday Vigil.....4:30pm

Sunday.....8:30am & 11:00am

Weekday Mass

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday-Friday....9:00am
(Chapel)

Wednesday 6:30pm (Church)

Confessions

Saturday..... 3:30-4:00pm

Mission Statement

We are a Roman Catholic family centered in the Eucharist, rooted in our immigrant traditions since the 1800's and devoted to our Blessed Mother. Humbly guided by the Holy Spirit, and with the warmth and hospitality that springs from a small community, we seek to share our faith in Jesus Christ through prayer, devotion, education, stewardship, and service to others.

PARISH OFFICE

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 5:00pm

Sunday, May 1, 2022 - Third Sunday of Easter



Monday, May 2 (Chapel)

9:00am - Dieter Jacob - Kathy Keyse

Tuesday, May 3 (Chapel)

9:00am - ALL Parishioners

Wednesday, May 4 (Church)

6:30pm - Dorothy Morley Kantosky - Bill Kantosky

Thursday, May 5 (Chapel)

9:00am - Henry & Catherine Kantosky - Bill Kantosky

Friday, May 6 Chapel)

9:00am - Jack LaDove - Carol Hanrahan

Saturday, May 7

4:30pm - Page & Plas Families - Guy & Judy Page

Sunday, May 8

8:30am - Living & Deceased members of the Holy Name Society

11:00am - Gail Falk

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Brought before the Sanhedrin, the apostles give witness to Jesus Christ.

(Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

Second Reading — In his vision John sees all in heaven and on earth give honor and glory to the one on the throne and to the Lamb (Revelation 5:11-14).

Gospel — Jesus appears to the disciples by the sea of Tiberias (John 21:1-19 [1-14]).

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Please call the Parish Office 440-926-2364, or email us at info@olqpgrafton.org to have a name of a friend or relative included in this list.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30;
Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20;
Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-3, 5;
Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

WELCOME! If you are interested in joining the parish, please call the parish office at 440.926.2364 or go to our website at www.olqpgrafton.org. Registration forms are on our website and by the bulletin board in the Gathering Area.

HOMEBOUND? If you or someone you know would like to receive communion please contact the parish office 440-926-2364. Also, if you are a Eucharistic Minister and would like to take communion to the homebound and those in local facilities and/or the hospital, please contact the office as well.

BULLETIN DEADLINES:

For inclusion in a weekly bulletin, please submit all announcements to Joanna at jblaz@olqpgrafton.org by the following dates:

Sunday May 8 by **5:00pm** Monday May 2

Sunday May 15 by **5:00pm** Monday May 9

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FATHER JOHN'S CORNER:

Several people commented to me after Masses on Palm Sunday that it was a different translation of the passion that was read at Mass. I responded that it was from the Gospel of Luke that is read every three years and the same translation as what has been read in years past. They responded that they heard things that they had not heard before in it and so it must be different. The truth is that the gospel is not different - it was the person listening. That is the true marvel of the Word of God. We hear it differently, as we are different each time we listen or read the Word. It is the reason why it is called the Living Word of God. The challenge is always being open to hear the Word and to apply it to where we are in life. It will bring comfort, or it will shake us up to change depending on what is going on in our life. Reading the scripture readings prior to Mass prepares one to hear the Word and apply it at Mass. Also, by making the reading of scripture part of our regular spiritual practices enables us to not just grow in appreciation of the wisdom found in the bible but it also enables us to embody the Word. The Word of God thus becomes so much a part of our lives that we become the Living Gospel for others.

There are currently a couple of opportunities to join with others in reading and reflecting upon the scriptures. The Sunday Gospel Reflection meets on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:00am. This month it will be May 14. At these sessions we read the Sunday gospels for the month and reflect upon what we hear and how they speak to our lives. The other opportunity is Scripture Study that meets twice a month on Thursdays to delve deeper into a particular book of the Bible. The next Scripture Study is May 26.

Mark your calendars for **Monday, May 9th for the Living Rosary at 6:30pm in the church.** Join us in praying the rosary as members of the parish ministries, and of the parish, are represented at each bead of the rosary.

— Fr. John

LIVING ROSARY

On **Monday, May 9th at 6:30pm in the church,** we will be praying together the rosary for the parish's intentions. In the past, the Living Rosary has been prayed in October. Now we are expanding it to May, the Month of Mary. In the Living Rosary, representatives of all the ministries and organizations take a role in leading the prayer. It is a way of showing the parish, which is dedicated to Mary, coming together in prayer. Please join us in prayer at 6:30pm.



MOVING FORWARD UPDATE

A Townhall meeting on **Thursday, May 12 at 6:30pm** has been set to share the exciting plans that are being proposed for a new parish center and office building. The new buildings are a part of the original plans for the parish facilities when the new church was built. As we continue to experience growth of the parish, we are in need of more space to meet the needs of serving the parishioners and community. Parish Council and Finance Council have reviewed the plans and has given their approval to move forward.



GOSPEL REFLECTION

Come join in reflecting on the gospels that we will hear the remainder of the Easter Season. The Easter Season is 50 days because there is just too much to take in for just one day. The gospels of the Easter Season unfold the mystery of the resurrection week by week. On **Saturday, May 14 at 10:00am in the parish hall** we will read these gospels and reflect upon how they speak to us. Everyone is welcome.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter
Monday: St. Athanasius
Tuesday: Ss. Philip and James
Thursday: National Day of Prayer; Cinco de Mayo
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: First Saturday

GOD'S OVERFLOWING KINDNESS

The superabundance of God's kindness ties all of today's readings together. Especially when life overwhelms us, the Lord provides all we need, and then some. In the Acts of the Apostles, Peter takes the lead when facing the Sanhedrin. We might expect the man who denied Jesus to crumble under the imposing glare of the high priest. Instead, the Holy Spirit helps him testify to his faith in Jesus Christ. What Peter had lacked before, courage and conviction, God provides in abundance. Similarly, today's Gospel shows Jesus providing a surplus of fish for the disciples. They have no luck fishing until the Lord intercedes. Jesus supplies an almost ridiculous number of fish, and he cooks it for them, too. As our reading from Revelation affirms, the overflowing riches of God require constant praise. Countless creatures—"everything in the universe"—cry out to honor the Lord, forever and ever.

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OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE SCHOLARSHIP

OLQP will be awarding two \$500 scholarships - one to a graduating high school senior and one to a current college student. To be eligible, a candidate must be a parishioner of Our Lady Queen of Peace and active in the parish, or active in the church on the college campus where they attend school. Applications can be picked up in the Gathering Area, Parish Office or via the OLQP website. Applications must be submitted **by May 15th**.

To fund these scholarships there will be a special collection this weekend, April 30/May 1. Ushers will be collecting donations in the Gathering Area as you leave mass.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK Third Sunday of Easter

May your people exult for ever, O God,
in renewed youthfulness of spirit,
so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption,
we may look forward in confident hope
to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

What does it mean to me to have hope in the Resurrection?

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FIRST FRIDAY FORUM OF LORAIN COUNTY

May 6, 2022

Father Jack Manning
"The Saints Among Us"

Fr. Manning delights in story telling and will share with us true stories that explore the lives of 3 individuals from Northeast Ohio whose lives recommend them for consideration as models for imitation, i.e. for sainthood.

- Missionary priest Louis de Goesbriand - later first Bishop of Burlington VT
- Rhoda Weis (Canton area) - named as intercessor in cure of mother of EWTN's Mother Angelica
- Helen Pelczar (St. John Cantius - Cleveland's Tremont area) - a stigmatist

Please join us at LCCC, in the Spitzer Conference Center, beginning at 11:30am with a delicious lunch. The program begins at 12noon and concludes at 1:00 pm. The cost is \$25 per lunch. **Reservations are required by 12noon Monday May 2.** Make plans to attend with family and friends by calling the Parish Office at 440-926-2364 or emailing info@olqpgrifton.org so we can all be seated together.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES - UNUSED FURNITURE:

Do you have used furniture in good condition you just don't use? Are you moving or downsizing and need to unload some unneeded pieces? We'll come pick it up and you can help a refugee family start a new life in the process. Catholic Charities helps place many families who have not much more than an empty apartment. If you have Queen & Full sized mattresses, tables & chairs, end tables or other furniture you would be willing to donate, please visit <https://onehopeneo.com/homeless-refugee/>

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Gospel today sees Peter and his colleagues after the Resurrection, returning to Galilee and resuming the family business. They are fishing by night. Although it is true that fish feed by night, the mention of darkness here is more about the human spirit than it is about fishing advice. Modern life keeps darkness effectively under control; much of the world has been glowing radiantly through the night for a century. Yet just as surely as the Risen Christ breaks into Peter's fishing, so does he break into the usual patterns of our own darkness, electric lights notwithstanding. It is Easter, and we are the people of the light.

In our tradition, Evening Prayer, celebrated in monasteries, parishes, cathedrals, and homes everywhere, is a kind of solemn protest against the darkness and its claims, an act of praise for our light-bearing God, and a commitment to carrying that light forward. Sunset is a turning point of our day, felt less acutely in an electrified world, but still an effective reminder that one day darkness overtakes us all. Yet our Eastering has taught us in a hundred ways that the victory belongs to the Bearer of Light. Easter summons us to transform our everyday "blackouts," perhaps in a way as simple as a whispered prayer of thanks at evening for the blessings of the day.

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SAVE THE DATE: SIP, SIP, HOORAY!

Come join us for a Beer, Bourbon & wine tasting on Father John's Patio on **Friday evening, June 17 from 7:00pm-10:00pm**. Relax with friends, family and Father John while also enjoying appetizers and raffles.

\$30 Tickets include...

- ⇒ 4 samples of Beer, Bourbon or wine of your choice
- ⇒ Appetizers and Lite Desserts

Raffles/Entertainment...

- ⇒ Raffle Baskets
- ⇒ 50/50 Reserve Raffle
- ⇒ Musical Entertainment
- ⇒ Cash Bar

This is a great way to spend time with fellow parishioners, make new friends and build community. Tickets will go on sale after all masses the weekend of May 7/8. We look forward to seeing you there!

LADIES NIGHT OUT

We're planning on having our special event again this fall. We welcome anyone interested in helping the current committee members plan another successful fundraiser for our Parish. We hope to see you at our first planning meeting on **Wednesday, May 4th at 7:00pm in the Parish hall.**

HOLY NAME SOCIETY GOLF OUTING

Please join the Holy Name for a 4-man Scramble Golf Outing on **Saturday, June 25, 2022**, starting at 9:00am 'Shotgun Start' at Pinebrook Golf Course.

Cost for the outing is \$85 per person, which includes 18 holes of golf with cart, food, beverages, and snacks! There will be various raffles, and skills games. Watch the bulletin for when sign-up will begin.

Can't Golf? Would you consider being a hole sponsor? Any parishioner who would like to sponsor a hole or would like to have their company/knows of a company or someone who would like to sponsor a hole, please contact the Parish Office (440.926.2364), Jim Lynsky (440.773.4831), Max Jalowiec (440.567.0201), or Dave Ward (440.926.3996).

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTIONS

If you are 70 ½ or older, you may be able to make a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA that will help us in our ministry and reduce your taxable income. Talk to your advisors and IRA administrator for more information and to be sure that your IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift is made directly from an IRA to a qualified charity such as our parish. Questions? Contact Joanna Blaz in our parish office at 440.926.2364 or Jean Ann Montagna of the Catholic Community Foundation at 216-696-6525 x8070 or visit:

www.catholiccommunity.org/ira.



FIRST COMMUNIONS... will take place during the weekend Masses beginning April 24. Please continue to pray for our First Communion candidates as they prepare to receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time. And may their excitement, reverence and joy be contagious for all of us who come to the altar weekly to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus.

Congratulations to **Fiona Buffington, Benedict Deak, Jase McCloskey & Giuliana Straub** who are making their First Communion this weekend.



Congratulations to **Henry and Brittany Portzer** whose son **Boden Andrew Portzer** was baptized last weekend.

May he grow as a child of God with the support and witness of our parish community.

SYMPATHY to the family of **John Homoki** who passed away.

May he rest in the peace of Christ.

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Or, contact Elizabeth at emiketo@olqpgrafton.org for more information.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Thank-you for your support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. The amount raised will help strengthen the Church at home and ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

NECESSARY

Grace is necessary to salvation, free will is equally so; but grace in order to give salvation, free will in order to receive it.

—St. Bernard



50th Jubilee Celebration Saturday June 25, 10:00am Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist

The 50th Anniversary of Marriage Mass is celebrated for couples residing within the Diocese of Cleveland who celebrate 50 years of marriage during the 2022 calendar year (married in 1972). Due to capacity and construction limitations, couples are asked to only bring 2 guests or special support people. Seating will be fulfilled on a first come first served basis. **Registration opens April 15 and will close May 30.** The online registration form can be found at dioceseofcleveland.org/50th.

BETTER THAN MIRACLES

Suffering out of love of God is better than working miracles.

—St. John of the Cross

CAREGIVER OPPORTUNITIES

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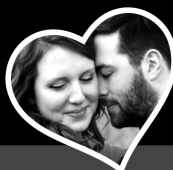


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GLFF/PSR: Happy May!

Pope Francis' May Mass intention says it best, "We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service."

GLFF (Grade Level Faith Formation) has concluded for the year! We hope you enjoy your summer and we look forward to seeing you around at Mass and our fun summer events! If you are a returning family, please turn your re-registration form into the weekly Mass collection or into our Parish Office. New family registration is coming soon!

We are in need of Catechists for next year's program, please contact Elizabeth if this is an area you would like to share your gifts with our community.

Wednesday, May 18 at 7:00pm we will gather for an informal book talk on The Art of Living by Dr. Edward Sri. If you didn't receive a book and are interested let us know!

WOMEN OF FAITH...will be meeting on **Sunday May 15 at 12noon in the cry room** at the back of church. Come spend an hour in fellowship and conversation with other women of the parish.

JUST DO IT

Whatever you can do or dream you can, begin it. Boldness has genius, power, and magic in it.

—Attributed to Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

THANK-YOU for your generous support of our Parish, and your help with the needs of the community through your ongoing participation in our various ministries.

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Sunday, Apr 24:	\$ 5,653.75		
E-Giving:	\$ 4, 224.55		
Total:	\$ 9,878.30	\$ 11,924.00	(\$2,045.70)
Sunday YTD:	\$ 514,549.12	\$ 512,732.00	\$1,817.12
Easter YTD:	\$16,338.20		
Mortgage:	\$284,424.60		

Easter collections are not included in the Sunday YTD total.

THIS WEEK at Our Lady Queen of Peace:

Sunday, May 1

11:30am - Parish Nurse

Monday, May 2

7:00pm - Choir Practice

Tuesday, May 3

7:00pm - KOC Meeting

Wednesday, May 4

7:00pm - Ladies Night Out Planning Meeting

Thursday, May 5

7:00pm - Parish Council

Friday, May 6

11:30am - First Friday - Fr. Jack Manning

Saturday, May 7

8:00am-12:00pm - Food Pantry

10:00am - Prayer Shawl

Sunday, May 8

8:00am - 12:00pm - Blood Drive

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ♦ Living Rosary – May 9, 6:30pm
- ♦ Sip, Sip Hooray - June 17, 7:00pm
- ♦ HNS Golf Outing - June 25
- ♦ Parish Festival – July 23

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULES

All Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Greeters, Mass Coordinators, Servers & Usher Team Leaders are asked to submit requests for the June, July and August timeframe. Forms are available in the St. Joseph's room and on our website. **Requests need to be submitted by Sunday, May 9th.**



PRAYER SHAWL

The next meeting will be **Saturday, May 7th at 10:00 am in the church hall.**

During the month of April, we were blessed to provide 11 shawls/blankets. This included going to Birthright, RCIA candidates and a Baptism.

If you know of anyone that would benefit from our ministry, please contact the church office. Any questions, please contact Kathy Behlke 440-935-3344 or Kathy Smeltz 419-544-2491 or Sue Schniegenberg 440-926-1610.