

June 11, 2023 – The Body and Blood of Christ

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live forever." -- John 6:51



Our Lady Queen of Peace Church 708 Erie Street ~ Grafton, OH
Established ~ October 29, 2006

Rev. John P. Seabold—Pastor

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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 1800s 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, June 11, 2023 - The Body and Blood of Christ



Masses For The Week

Monday, June 12 (Chapel)

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

Tuesday, June 13 (Chapel)

9:00am - Lewis & Kathy Behlke 25th Anniv - Kathy Behlke

Wednesday, June 14 (Church)

6:30pm - For those seeking our prayers

Thursday, June 15 (Chapel)

9:00am - Michael Sudina - Family

Friday, June 16 (Chapel)

9:00am - Karen Younglas - Tom Younglas

Saturday, June 17

4:30pm - ALL Fathers

Sunday, June 11

8:30am - ALL Fathers

11:00am - ALL Fathers

Parish Council

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58
Monday	2 Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday	2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135; Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday	2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 5:20-26
Friday	Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30
Saturday	2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk 2:41-51
Sunday	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 19:2-6a; Ps 100: 1-2, 3, 5; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36-10:8

just to let you know

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

BULLETIN DEADLINES:

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

Sunday June 18 by 5:00pm Monday June 12

Sunday June 25 by 5:00pm Monday June 19

FATHER JOHN'S CORNER:

Some Christian denominations have a tradition of an 'altar call.' It is a moment when those who have heard God's Word are invited to come forward to accept Jesus into their lives. As Catholics, each time we come forward to receive communion we are expressing our desire to take Jesus into our lives. Having heard God's Word, we come forward to receive Jesus in the bread and wine. Our 'altar call' however, is not just saying I want Jesus in my life. We believe that we are receiving him, the Real Presence of Jesus in the bread and wine that we consume. We are not literally taking Jesus into our lives; we are really taking him into our lives. What a great gift we have been given! As we come forward for the 'altar call' may we give thanks that we are receiving Jesus in our lives.

Congratulations to those who are recipients of the parish's scholarship program:

The \$500 college scholarship was awarded to **Amber Allen** who is a student at Bowling Green majoring in Inclusive Early Childhood Education. When she is not busy with classes, she is helping with CYO programs and Helping Hands on campus as well as weekly prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in adoration. When home, she helps with the Helping Hands here in the parish as well as serving as a Eucharistic Minister.

The \$500 High School scholarship was awarded to **Elaina Magel** who was the valedictorian of her graduating class at Keystone High School. Elaina is a regular altar server at the 11am Mass as well as running the camera for the Live Streaming. She also has helped with the festival, Best Buddies Ball, making cupcakes for the community meals and many other activities in the parish. She will be attending John Carroll University where she will major in Biology/Pre-Med and eventually Med School with plans to become a pediatric physician.

The scholarship committee felt that there were other applicants who were worthy of receiving a scholarship due to their parish involvement and religious practices. Because there was money in the scholarship fund, they have awarded \$100 scholarships to:

Steven Allen – graduate of Midview High School

Brian Clark - graduate of St Edward High School

Mya DiFranco – graduate of Midview High School

Anthony DiFranco – graduate of Midview High School

Ronnie Hamm – graduate of Midview High School.

Copies of the prayer "*Protect Them Both; Prayer to Defeat Ohio's Abortion Amendment*" are in the Gathering Area. Please take one and pray it daily. A couple of weeks ago there was a bulletin insert that explained the threat in Ohio for the dignity and respect for life. Watch each week in the bulletin for updates and how you can make your voice heard to insure that abortion is not legalized in the State of Ohio.

--Fr John

FINANCE COUNCIL

There are two openings on the Finance Council for those who have a background in finances and would like to serve the parish on the Council. If interested, please see Fr John.

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.

Order of Christian Initiation

RCIA

Interested in becoming Catholic? If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Fr John or Elizabeth Miketo for information on the RCIA process. The Rite of Catholic Initiation of Adults is a process of growing in awareness of God's call in one's life and the teachings of the Catholic Church which form one in responding to God's call.

Coming Events

SAVE THE DATE! SIP, SIP HOORAY!

Come join us for a Beer, Bourbon & Wine tasting on Father John's Patio on **Friday evening, June 16 from 7:00pm-10:00pm**. Relax with friends, family and Father John while also enjoying appetizers and raffles.

\$35 Tickets include...

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

Extra Fun not limited to...

- ⇒ 50/50 Reverse Raffle
- ⇒ 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 20/21. We look forward to seeing you there!



OUR LADY'S GUILD

Ladies, just a reminder to make that special treat for the upcoming Sip Sip Hooray on June 16th. Please have it at the parish hall no later than 7:00pm on that Friday.



SAVE THE DATE!! PARISH FESTIVAL - August 5

Our **annual Parish Festival will be held on August 5**. If you would like to help with the planning and/or volunteering, **our next meeting will be on June 15th at 7:00pm in the parish hall**. We welcome your ideas and help in making our Festival a success. Please contact the parish office to volunteer. The more people that help, the lighter the workload!

50th ANNIVERSARY MASS

The diocesan annual 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass with Bishop Malesic will take place on **Saturday, June 24, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.** in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. The Cathedral will be open for seating at 9:00 a.m. on a first come first served basis.

All couples **married in 1973** are invited and may bring family with them. **This is not a ticketed event. There is no registration required.** Couples can also request a



special certificate marking this occasion by going to [50th Anniversary Certificate Request | Catholic Diocese of Cleveland | Cleveland, OH](#)

THE FEST 2023

Mark your calendars and plan to join us on Sunday, August 6, 2023 for "The FEST". It's an inspiring day of faith, family and fun – all for FREE – on the campus of the Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe. There are wonderful activities for kids, informative and helpful displays and information for adults. An outdoor Mass with Bishop Malesic will also be at 8 pm. This year's theme is ARISE which will call us to live in the Joy of Easter – the Joy of the Gospel. The FEST is open to everyone...thanks to our good friends at Marc's and Baron's Bus. Invite your family and friends to this amazing day of faith – The FEST. For complete details go to: www.theFEST.us



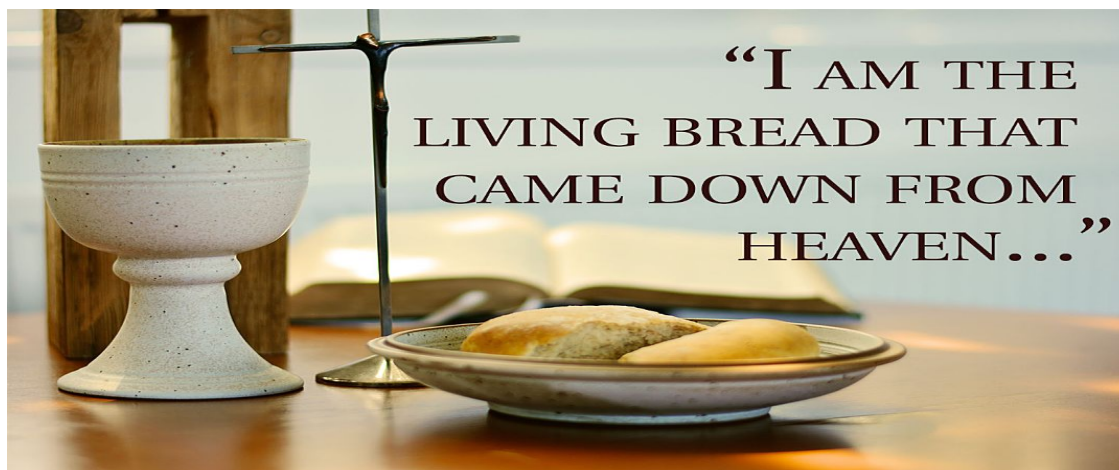
THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST

For Adults 40 & Over

Join us **Monday, June 12** at **Copper Cup (Ironwood Café)** - 680 Dover Center in Westlake.

Coming Closer to God! From busy chef to parish priest! Fr. Ron will share the journey that led him to continuing to feed the body (can we say Fish Fry?) while also feeding the soul through Ignatian Spirituality. Cost is \$15.00 per person which includes light appetizers & refreshments. Cash Bar is also available. **Advance tickets highly recommended** as space is limited. **Register in advance at:**

www.theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west. Doors open at 6:30pm. Program begins at 7:00pm.



SCRIPTURE STUDY

Thursday June 22nd is the tenth and final powerful lesson of “*EUCHARIST: Discovering the Mass in the Bible*” from the FORMED LECTIO series. Please meet with us at **7:00pm in the Parish Hall**. Session 10 will cover “Revelation” on page 187 of the study guide. Study guides are free, and you can join us any time during the study. Contact Rick Gallaher at (440) 458-6335 for comments or assistance.



GARDEN CLUB

Attention all Gardeners! The Garden Club is looking for volunteers for this Summer-time ministry. If you have an interest in planting, weeding, watering and beautifying the church grounds, please contact Marti or Ken Shifferly at 440-2285-7826.

FLOCKNOTE

Digitally connect with Our Lady Queen of Peace with Flocknote! Scan this QR code to check your settings and make sure you are registered!



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST You are What You Eat

In John's Gospel, Jesus gives a long discourse on the Bread of Life. In today's Gospel, he says that the bread he will give is his flesh. The leaders of the Jews don't understand. Hopefully, we can do better.

In the pagan world at the time of Christ and before, a sacrifice was also a meal. Jesus used that understanding of sacrifice to explain his gift of self. He would die on the cross as a sacrifice to the Father and we would share in the meal by consuming bread and wine, which are his Body and Blood.

Better than the pagan sacrifice, the Eucharist unites us with God because Jesus is both human and divine. His humanity allowed him to represent us to the Father, as a lawyer represents a client to the court. Jesus' divinity allowed his sacrifice to be worthy of the Father, as no merely human gift could be.

The Eucharist also unites us to one another. Because the food we share is the Body and Blood of Christ, we in a sense become what we eat. We show this by our love, by sharing our faith, by forgiving each other, and by our service to each other. If we believe that Jesus is divine, we must believe his word that the Eucharist is truly his Body and Blood, given for us.

--Tom Schmidt

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Tuesday	Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor
Friday	Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday	Immaculate Heart of Mary

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH IN TRANSITION

O faithful God, as your people, we cherish our memories and our history as a sacred gift. We also ask you to guide us in our time of transition. We need your wisdom that we might be receptive to change, conversion and growth. We need your grace to redirect our hearts that we may be willing to offer ourselves in joyful service.

Do not allow fear, ignorance or pride to limit the work of your spirit, nor custom to prevent the creativity within us from bearing fruit. Open our hearts to the call of the Gospel. Give us courage and renewed hope that we may meet the challenge of being the Church in our time. Amen

TOGETHER - 
LET US PRAY ...

GROWING TOGETHER IN CHRIST - CONTINUING OUR JOURNEY

When we are called to give, we should not be burdened by our offering because of obligation. Gifts to help grow a parish should be given happily and freely knowing that we are contributing to a strong foundation for all to come and grow in their faith.

Let us continue supporting our parish with our time, talent, prayer and spiritual giving. The current campaign pledges have us at 76.8% of our goal. We are getting closer but we need full participation to get there. To those who have yet to make a pledge, you will see the greatness by giving. The Lord does provide and his love is everlasting. Many thanks to all who have contributed to the future of our parish.

--Colleen Dawson - Campaign Communications



THE GOAL OF PRAYER

The goal of prayer is the ear of God, a goal that can only be reached by patient and continued and continuous waiting upon Him, pouring out our heart to Him and permitting Him to speak to us. Only by so doing can we expect to know Him, and as we come to know Him better we shall spend more time in His presence and find that presence a constant and ever-increasing delight.

--E. M. Bounds

LEADERSHIP MEETING

Heads of all the ministries and organizations in the parish are asked to attend a **Leadership Meeting on Wednesday, June 14 at 7:00pm in the parish hall**. This is a very important meeting where we will be setting the calendar for the coming year as well as communicating important information for the ministries. You are encouraged to attend Mass at 6:30pm before the meeting.

PARISH FESTIVAL MEETING

There will be a festival meeting this **Thursday, June 15, at 7:00pm in the parish hall**. Plans are well under way for the parish festival which will be on Saturday, August 5. Anyone who would like to help with the planning is invited to join us Thursday as we seek to finalize plans. Sign up for volunteering to work during the festival will be coming soon.



PARISH DIRECTORY

A big THANKS to all who volunteered to check people in for the parish directory pictures. It was a great success with 183 families participating. Your help is greatly appreciated. Thanks again!

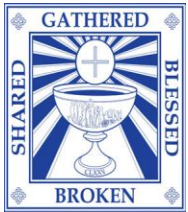
--Mike Ruebensaal



FAITH FORMATION - REFLECTIONS AND UPDATES

Have you heard?

Our Lady Queen of Peace is on Instagram and slowly making her presence known! **Follow us at: olqpgraffon.** Can't wait to connect and share our faith and our happenings!



EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Have you heard? The Catholic Church is embarking upon a Eucharistic Revival!

This past year, the Diocesan staff, bishops and priests spent extra time and prayer in sharing their knowledge on the Eucharist. This upcoming year, the focus shifts to the Parish Level.

We will kick off this great year with **a procession of the Blessed Sacrament at the conclusion of the 11:00 am Mass on the Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday June 11th.** Father John will lead the procession from the Church to the Chapel, where Eucharistic Adoration will be available from 12 pm to 3 pm. Please consider joining us! And stay tuned for more ways to learn and live out other Eucharistic devotion opportunities.



THANK-YOU for your generous support of OLQP 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, June 3/4:	\$8,547.50		
E-Giving:	\$2,487.85		
Total:	\$11,035.35	\$12,282.00	(\$1,246.65)
YTD:	\$597,850.67	\$601,818.00	(\$3,967.33)
Mortgage:	\$179,799.74		



The Week Ahead

Sunday, June 11

12:00pm - Corpus Christi Procession

12:00pm - 3:00pm - Adoration

Monday, June 12

7:00pm - Holy Name Mtg.

Tuesday, June 13

Wednesday, June 14

2:30pm - 6:30pm Adoration

7:00pm - Leadership Mtg.

Thursday, June 15

9:30am - Divine Mercy Chaplet

5:30pm - Community Mtg.

7:00pm - Parish Festival Mtg.

Friday, June 16

7:00pm-10:00pm - Sip, Sip Hooray

Saturday, June 17

10:00am - Food Pantry

Sunday, June 18

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

June 16 - Sip, Sip, Hooray!

August 5 - PARISH FESTIVAL

August 20 - 25th Anniversary Mass

CATHOLIC RENEWAL MINISTRIES

All are invited to attend **Catholic Renewal Ministries' 40th Annual Conference** to be held on **Saturday July 22, 2023** at St. Albert the Great Parish Reception Hall, 6667 Wallings Rd., North Royalton 44133. This year's theme is "Come, Be Filled with His Holy Spirit". Guest speakers will be Sr. Marie Fidelis from the Disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ Community, Dan DeMatte, the cohost of EWTN radio's *Encounter* program and the Executive Director of the Damascus Catholic Mission Campus, and Fr. Bob Franco, the Bishop's Liaison for Charismatic Renewal in the diocese. Fr. Joe Menkhaus will be the celebrant for the Vigil Mass, and Matt Fafrak will lead us in contemporary praise music throughout the day and evening. Visit the CRM website: www.crmweb.org or call 440-944-9445 for more information. Advance registration postmarked by Wednesday, July 12th, is \$35, and at the door \$40. Come, experience the healing power and gifts of the Holy Spirit!

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