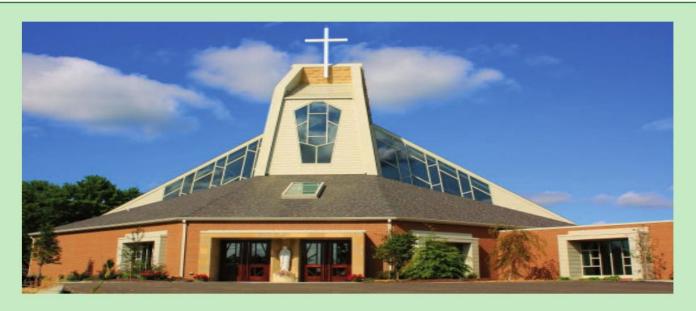
## June 18, 2023 — Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few." - Matthew 9:37



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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

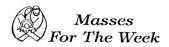
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### Parish Office Hours

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



Monday, June 19 (Chapel)

9:00am - Marissa Kovach - Family

Tuesday, June 20 (Chapel)

9:00am - Julius & Anne Burke - Family

Wednesday, June 21 (Church)

6:30pm - NO MASS

Thursday, June 22 (Chapel)

9:00am - NO MASS

Friday, June 23 Chapel)

9:00am - NO MASS

Saturday, June 24

4:30pm - Jeanne Walker - Ernie Walker

Sunday, June 25

8:30am - Richard Paul Jr. - Mike & Jane Durauey

11:00am - Donald Lacko - Bayorek Family

Pray for the Sick: Tina Abshire, Nanci Arnold, Amanda Bansek, Kathy Borowy, Lou Burrows, Deborah Cormier, Richard Cormier, Cathy Cornish, Jennifer DuPont, Ethel Faber, Karen Faulkner, Walter Fowler, Dennis Frabotta, Alyassa Frost, Don Gates, Michael Gilkeson, Marilyn Hamm, Dorothy Hannes, Joan Henschel-Blake, Gloria Janosko, Brian Joseph, James Kwiatek, Debbie Listwak, Ron Listwak, Toni Long, Jose' Magiste, Neil Maier, Elise Martin, Hannah Haas Martin, Michele Miller, Becca Mullins, John O'Connor, Joanne Pasadyn, Mark Petricevic, Jane Peyton, Donald Plas, Jeff Pfeiffer, Adam Postelwait, Colleen Ray, Gladys Rising, Adam Rone, Cristina Safille, George Schaefer, Monica Schaefer, Paul Smith, Rhonna Smith, Thomas Southam, Al Traxler, Ted Turner, Rick Tylicki, Dick & Nancy Webber, Daniel White, Amy Woodburn, Pat Wracker & Bernadette Zielinski.

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

## 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.olapgrafton.org**. Registration forms are on our website and by the bulletin board in the Gathering Area.

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#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

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

Monday 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4; Mt

5:38-42

**Tuesday** 2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a;

Mt 5:43-48

**Wednesday** 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6,

16-18

**Thursday** 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-

15

Friday 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt

6:19-23

**Saturday** Is 49:1-6; Ps 139: 1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15;

Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Sunday Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35; Rom

5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

#### **BULLETIN DEADLINES:**

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

Sunday June 25 by 5:00pm Monday June 19 Sunday July 2 by 5:00pm Monday June 26

### **FATHER JOHN'S CORNER:**

This Sunday is the 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. Although Ordinary Time resumed the day after Pentecost, the last two Sundays (Trinity Sunday and Body and Blood of Christ Sunday) were Solemnities which took precedence over the Sundays in Ordinary Time. This will be the longest season of the liturgical year, concluding on December 2<sup>nd</sup> and the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent on Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>. During these weeks we will be listening to familiar Scripture narratives which will be instructional in how to live as disciples of Jesus.

Although we have heard these Scriptures every three years for as long as we have been coming to Mass, this year they are different because we are different. Yes, they are the same stories but our lives as well as the life around us are different than it was three years ago. These readings will change our hearts so that we can live the call of Christ among gun violence, protests, the proposed abortion amendment here in Ohio as well as the political headlines as campaigns hit the ground running for the 2024 elections.

Closer to home we will be focusing on the Eucharist as part of the Eucharistic Revival that is happening across our nation. There will be many events that will strengthen our faith through social, education and out-reach activities. And we will be winding down the capital campaign and the planning for the future buildings will move into the next phase. This next phase of planning will be looking at what we can do with the pledges that have been made so that construction can begin in three to four years.

The liturgical year has often been described as a spiral rather than a circle. Its purpose is to draw us in to a deeper experience of Christ's life, death and resurrection and deepen our commitment to follow Him. There is nothing ordinary about Ordinary Time. It is all about how we can grow in faith and commitment as a follower of Jesus.

Happy Father's Day to all fathers and to all who have been a fatherly influence in our lives. May God continue to use you to reveal his Fatherly love and care.

--Fr John

## Order of M 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.

**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 <u>and/or the hospital</u>, please contact the office as well.

## MISSIONARY SUNDAY WELCOME FR. JOSE VARICKASSERIL!

Next weekend Fr. Jose, who is a Salesian missionary priest, will be here for all the Masses. The Salesians of Don Bosco (S.D.B.) are the second largest religious order in the Church. Founded by John Bosco, who named the order the "Salesians" after St. Francis de Sales, are dedicated to service to the poor. Fr. Jose will be sharing his experience as a missionary as well as the work that the Salesians do throughout the world. There will be a second collection next weekend for not just the work of the Salesians but for all who serve the Church through missionary activities.

Congratulations to Joseph & Rebecca Frish whose son Grayson Alan Frish was baptized last weekend.

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

## **Coming Events**



#### 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

#### **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!

#### 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

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#### **DIGNITY OF LIFE**

Dignity of Life is threatened in Ohio. A proposed amendment to Ohio's Constitution claims to recognize reproductive freedoms, but it furthers a culture of death and removes current safeguards for women. As Catholics we find the proposed amendment dangerous, unjust and contrary to our belief in the sacredness of life. Decline to sign any petition to put this amendment on the November ballot. Pray, Learn, and Volunteer by visiting the "Protect Them Both" resource center at www.ohiocatholicconf.org/protect

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.

#### **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 Summertime 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

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## ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Without Cost

Part of being a believer is knowing that God keeps his promises. And how do we know that? Because he has kept them in the past. If we lose hope or begin to doubt whether he will help us, we remember what he has already done. That's what Paul is talking about in the second reading. Christ died for us when we were sinners, so Paul concludes that now that we have been saved from sin, we will also be saved from death. So now we are free from sin and death. Isn't that enough?

Jesus shows that there is still more that God can do. When he saw the crowds in today's gospel, he pitied them because they were "like sheep without a shepherd." They seemed to need leaders, someone who could show them the way to God. So Jesus responds in two ways.

First, he teaches his disciples to pray for more leaders. What he means is that if people are to lead the Church, they must be sent by God. They are not elected by popular vote. They are "elected" or called by God to serve. Jesus is teaching us to pray for Church leaders today. We can pray for all who have leadership roles, that they are filled with wisdom and strength. Jesus also teaches us to pray for vocations to religious life.

The second thing Jesus does is to send the twelve apostles out to proclaim the kingdom and cure diseases. He shows us that along with prayer, we need to take action. This may mean offering our help to parish leaders, serving a term on the parish council, or encouraging our children to consider a religious vocation.

Why should we do these things? Remember what Paul said about God saving us from sin and death. God gives these gifts without cost. He simply asks us to pass on that good news of salvation. That is what leadership in the Church is all about.

#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Wednesday Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious Thursday Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; John

Fisher, Bishop & Martyr; Thomas More,

Martyr

Saturday Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John

the Baptist

#### 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



## GROWING TOGETHER IN CHRIST - CONTINUING OUR JOURNEY

Have you noticed the thermometer in the Gathering Area? The thermometer is rising to our goal of \$2.5 million. We are getting closer each week, as pledges are still coming in. But we need everyone to make this campaign successful. We can't do this without your support! Full participation from the parish community will help bring us closer to the top.

Please note that the current mortgage of \$170k will be paid in full prior to the start of the second phase building project. Don't let this hold you back from making your pledge. We are currently at 77.7% of our goal. Thank-you to all that have made their pledge and continued prayers for those who have yet to make their pledge commitment.

--Colleen Dawson - Campaign Communications

#### A PRAYER FOR FATHERS

Heavenly Father,
you entrusted your Son Jesus,
the child of Mary,
to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.
Bless all fathers
as they care for their families.
Give them strength and wisdom,
tenderness and patience;
support them in the work they have to do,
protecting those who look to them,
as we look to you for love and salvation,
through Jesus Christ our rock and defender.
Amen.

--Author unknown



#### **CALLING HOME**

Prayer is a kind of calling home every day.

And there can come to you a serenity, a feeling of at-homeness in God's universe, a peace that the world can neither give nor disturb, a fresh courage, a new insight, a holy boldness that you'll never, never get any other way.

-Earl G. Hunt Jr.

#### **FAITH FORMATION - REFLECTIONS AND UPDATES**

#### Have you heard?

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Our Lady Queen of Peace is on Instagram and slowly making her presence known! Follow us at: olqpgrafton. 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.

#### **HOPE & FEAR**

Hope is some extraordinary spiritual grace that God gives us to control our fears, not to oust them.

--Vincent NcNabb

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**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 10/11: \$6,983.48

E-Giving: \$5,854.50

Total: \$12,837.98 \$12,282.00 \$555.98 YTD: \$611,170.00 \$614,100.00 (\$2,930.00)

Mortgage: \$170,437.97



Sunday, June 18 FATHER'S DAY Monday, June 19

Tuesday, June 20

Wednesday, June 21

Thursday, June 22

9:30am - Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:00pm - Scripture Study

Friday, June 23

Saturday, June 24 MISSIONARY WEEKEND Sunday, June 25 MISSIONARY WEEKEND

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- ♦ July 8 Gospel Reflection
- ♦ July 9 New Parishioner Welcome
- ♦ July 22/23 Grandparents Weekend
- ♦ July 30 Blood Drive

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

August 5 - PARISH FESTIVAL August 20 - 25th Wedding Anniversary Mass

#### 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.

#### **PARISH COUNCIL**

Parish Council is looking for 3 new members who will begin their three-year term (renewable for one year) in October. Anyone interested can contact any parish council member, whose names are listed in the bulletin, or Fr John.

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