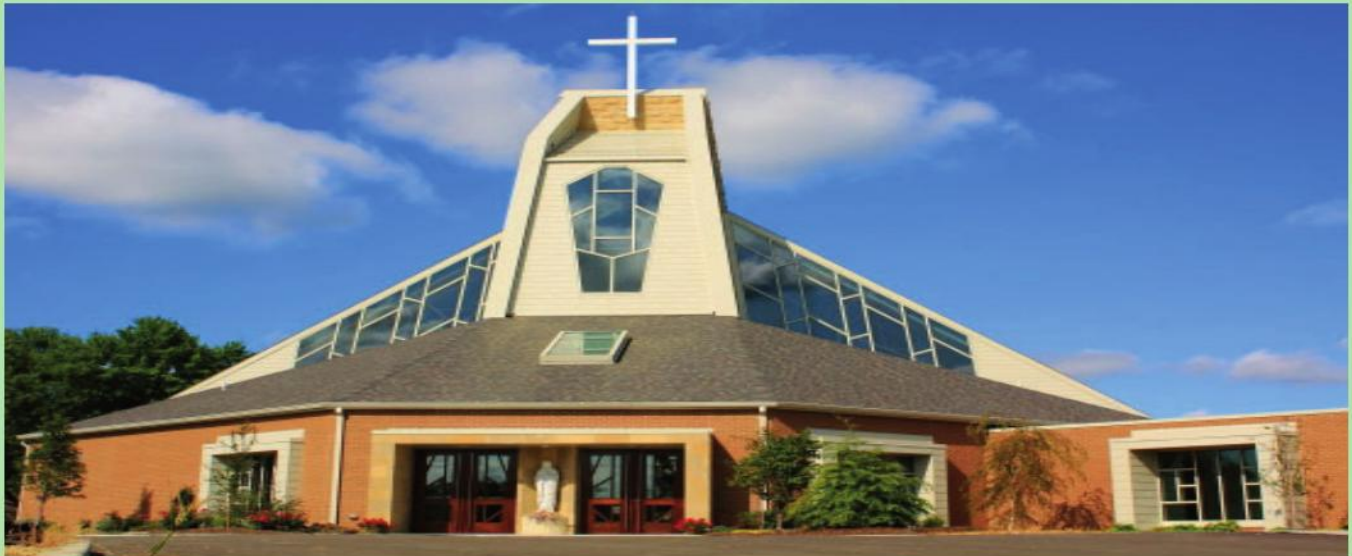


October 22, 2023 — Twenty - Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"I am the Lord and there is no other, there is no God besides me." - Isaiah 45:5



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

Established ~ October 29, 2006

Rev. John P. Seabold—Pastor

Joanna Blaz - Business Office

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Patrick Weir - Facilities Manager
& St. Mary's Cemetery Sexton

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.

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Parish Office Hours

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



*Masses
For The Week*

Monday, October 23 (Chapel)

9:00am - Joanne Pasadyn - John & Ann Laubenthal

Tuesday, October 24 (Chapel)

9:00am - ALL Parishioners

Wednesday, October 25 (Church)

6:30pm - Martha Zalka - Kathy Zalka

Thursday, October 26 (Chapel)

9:00am - Margie Weber - Deanna Lottman

Friday, October 27 (Chapel)

9:00am - ALL Parishioners

Saturday, October 28

4:30pm - George Banjoff - Family

Sunday, October 29

8:30am - ALL Parishioners

11:00am - Betty Kirsch - Family

Parish Council

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



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

Monday

Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday

Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Lk 12:39-48

Thursday

Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Lk 12:49-53

Friday

Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94; Lk 12:54-59

Saturday

Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16

Sunday

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

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.olqpgraston.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@olqpgraston.org by the following dates:

Sunday October 29 by 5:00pm Monday, October 23
Sunday November 5 by 5:00pm Monday, October 30

FATHER JOHN'S CORNER:

The Anointing of the Sick at the conclusion of each Mass last weekend was beyond words. There was a long line all three times showing the great need we have for healing. The need for healing is not always acknowledged publicly because we want to appear 'normal' and strong. And yet the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick touches us in our core. Seeing the need and the response to receiving the sacrament, I will seek to provide the opportunity more than once or twice a year. Also, please stop me before and after Mass if you wish to be anointed, especially if you are having surgery or waiting for test results. It is not an inconvenience for me.

This weekend is World Mission Sunday. This recognition opens our eyes to see the Church as bigger than Our Lady Queen of Peace or the Diocese of Cleveland. Celebrating World Mission Sunday reminds us of the work of mission: to deepen the connections that already exist between me and someone far away from me to whom I am united in Christ. Perhaps this person is already a Christian and so we are mystically united by our common baptism. Or maybe this person is just now learning of Christ, or desires to know of Christ, and that introduction will be made possible by the work of people who are sent to share the Good News with them. This appreciation might even help me to find the energy and interest to collaborate in work that I personally cannot do because I have responsibilities where I am and cannot go to those places and meet those people. But I can be part of the work through supportive prayer and practical charity. Go to www.onefamilyinmission.org for more information on what it means to be a mission Church.

The lift that was outside the church last weekend was used to repair the leak in the roof around the tower of the church. As with any structure there is always something that needs repair. And speaking of buildings, work is in progress to draw up final plans for the construction of the parish offices and center for approval by the diocese. If you have not made a pledge to the capital campaign, I would encourage you to take advantage of the \$50,000 challenge that is available. Through the generosity of a parishioner, any new money donated to the capital campaign will be matched up to \$50,000. This will double your contribution. As we move forward with the plans for construction the amount that we have received in pledges or donations will determine the extent of the project that we are hoping to build. Thank you to everyone who has made it possible for us to get to this point in the project through your sacrificial giving.

Monday at 6:30pm we will be praying the rosary as a parish community with the intention of defeating the abortion amendment for Ohio. Please show your prayerful support. And then on All Saints Day, November 1 there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 10am until 6:30pm to also pray that the abortion amendment does not pass.

And it is not too late to sign up to enter your delicious chili in the **Chili Cook-off on Oct. 27th**. On the same evening there will also be Trunk-or-Treat and food and activities. All the activities will be over before the village shuts down the electricity for 16 hours so don't let that keep you from coming out for the evening.

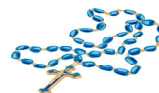
---Fr. John

National Estate Planning Awareness Week October 16-22

There are many reasons you might be thinking about a legacy gift to OLQP. You might be looking for a way to express your gratitude to God for the blessings you have received. Perhaps you have a desire to share with future generations the Catholic values that have shaped you. Fortunately, it is possible – and simple – to make a meaningful legacy gift that reflects the Catholic faith you hold dear.

Questions? Contact our parish office or Mary Lou Ozimek at 216-696-6525 x4070 or mzimek@catholiccommunity.org.

You can also find out more by visiting:
catholiccommunity.org/legacy



LIVING ROSARY

October is also the month of the Rosary. Join us for a parish wide Living Rosary!

Monday, October 23rd 7:00pm in the Church

During a Living Rosary, community members are invited to act as a single bead for a gracious visual of the Rosary encouraging all of us to take part in guiding this noteworthy prayer. Don't want to act as a bead? Come join us as we pray for the born and unborn in this Respect Life Month.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY PIG RAFFLE

Winning ticket to be drawn at the Holy Name Society Kielbasa Dinner on **Saturday November 11th**. Winner to be notified if not present.

1 ticket for \$10
3 tickets for \$25

Half a Pig to include:

Ham, Pork Chops,
Loin Roast, Boston Butt,
Picnic Roast, Spareribs,
Bacon, Sausage
All Custom Cut

HOLY NAME SOCIETY FOOTBALL RAFFLE

\$10 Raffle Ticket for the chance to see...

Cleveland Browns

Vs.

Pittsburgh Steelers

Sunday, November 19, 2023 at 1:00pm

4 Club Seats

Section 305 Row 15 Seats 19-22

Winning Ticket to be drawn on November 11th at the Men's Night Out Kielbasa Dinner

Winner need not be present to win



MONTHLY POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Please come to the next potluck luncheon on **Thursday, Nov. 2!** Lunch is at 12-noon in the parish hall. Ham will be provided - please bring a dish or dessert to share and a donation to cover main dish. Back by popular demand, Ken Shifferly will share more stories about the history of our parish, including Assumption and Immaculate Conception lore. Please join us to share some of your own knowledge and memories! Everyone is welcome, please spread the word and bring a friend! Sponsored by Seniors Ministry. Any questions, call Margie and Ray at 330.418.7722.

Twenty - Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time He Alone is Lord

In the scriptures, being anointed usually meant you were a prophet or king of Israel. So why is Cyrus given that title? Cyrus was king of Persia when the Babylonians held the people of Israel captive. God used him to defeat the Babylonians and eventually bring the Israelites back to their homes.

One thing this tells us is that God can work through anyone, not just saints and religious. Any time someone does a good deed, God is behind it. Just as God used Cyrus to free the Israelites from their Babylonian captivity, God can use governments to protect the poor, to help rebuild after disasters, or to defend freedom.

In that sense, we can understand what Jesus says about payment to Caesar and to God. Since everything belongs to God, that should be our first allegiance. But when God works through governments, we can give some support to them, by such activities as voting or paying taxes. Let us ask God to work through us also, helping us to proclaim that God alone is LORD.

--Tom Schmidt



ADVENT LITURGICAL PLANNING

DO YOU KNOW what the Season of Advent looks like? Or even what it sounds like? How do you know when you come into the church for Mass and are participating in Mass that it is Advent? Come explore what the often-overshadowed liturgical season is about on **Wednesday, October 25 at 7pm in the Gathering Area of the Church**. And while we are learning about the season, we will be planning the liturgies during the Advent Season and Christmas Season. The focus will primarily be on the weekend Mass. There is an extra challenge this year as Christmas Eve falls on the Fourth Sunday of Advent, so we lose a week of the season. How can we not lose the entire feel and message of Advent in this shortened year? Come with ideas!



CHANGES

Prayer may not change things for you, but it for sure changes you for things.

--Samual M. Shoemaker

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM OF LORAIN COUNTY

November 3, 2023
Bishop Edward Malesic

The First Friday Forum meets at the Spitzer Conference Center at Lorain County Community College on the 1st Friday of the month for lunch at 11:30am followed by a speaker at 12:00noon. We are finished and out the door at 1:00pm. Join Fr. John at OLQP's table of 8. Cost is \$23 per person and it would show our support to the Forum. Please call the office if you would like to reserve a place at the parish table. **Reservations are due Monday, October 30th at 12:00 noon.**



LADY'S GUILD


Ladies, just a friendly reminder to make those delicious desserts for the upcoming Chili Cook Off on **Friday October 27!**

SYMPATHY to the family of **John F. Dostall** who passed away recently.

May he rest in the peace of Christ.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday	Saint John of Capistrano, Priest
Tuesday	Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
Saturday	Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles

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.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULES (Dec-Feb)

All Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Greeters, Mass Coordinators, Servers & Usher Team Leaders are asked to submit requests for the December, January and February Mass schedule. Forms are available in the St. Joseph's room and on our website. If you do not request a specific Mass or request the date off, you may be scheduled for a weekend Mass. Masses for Christmas weekend will be:

Saturday - Dec 23	4:30pm
Sunday - Dec 24	10:00am
Vigil	4:30pm
Vigil	10:00pm
Monday - Dec 25	8:30am
	11:00am

Requests need to be submitted by Sunday, November 5th.



REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

The Church traditionally observes the month of November as a special time to remember the faithfully departed. The following are some of the events and ways we will be recalling those who have died and praying for those who grieve their death:

ALL SAINTS DAY: The Solemnity of All Saints is Wednesday, November 1. Masses will be at 9:00am & 7:00pm.

ALL SOULS DAY: We will be remembering all those who have died, especially those who have died in the past year with Mass on Thursday, November 2 at 7:00pm.

CEMETERY SERVICE: There will be a prayer service at St. Mary Cemetery (Rt. 57) at 2:00pm on Sunday, November 5. We will be remembering in prayer all those buried at the parish cemetery in the past year as well as all those who have died. In case of inclement weather, we will hold the prayer service in the church.

NOVEMBER MASSES: During the month of November, we will be remembering at all the Masses those who are listed in the parish Book of the Dead. You may add the names of loved ones who have died to the book and they will be included in the petitions at each Mass.

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 ...

respect life
month

OCTOBER 2023



ABORTION

"I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an abortion. The Church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed...But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope...The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation."

Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, no 99 © Libreria Editrice Vaticana

RESPECT LIFE

We must remember how to honor and respect life with each breath, step, word and thought. What you bless blesses you in return. This is the power of reciprocity.

--Sandra Ingerman

PROTECT THEM BOTH PRAYER TO DEFEAT OHIO'S ABORTION AMENDMENT

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Ohio from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. Father, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life, preserving parental rights, and accompanying pregnant women in need. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us!

St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!



FAITH FORMATION / UPDATES

"The future starts today, not tomorrow." St. Pope John Paul the II October 22nd is his Feast Day and it coincides nicely with our Confirmation Candidate Retreat. We pray for these bright young men and women, to embark on this journey of Confirmation prep, not only for a year, but for a lifetime of faith. May their dedication be our inspiration to pray, work, and live towards a better future, starting today.

Our **Confirmandi** say yes today, they participate in the Rite of Enrollment at the 11:00 AM Mass. We are excited to continue to offer them guidance as these young people step up to seal the graces bestowed upon them at Baptism.

Ella Craig	Zackery Harrold
John Faltay	Brayden Homoki
Veronica Filipiak	Elizabeth Ludrosky
Anna Groboske	Isobel Plas
Ava Hamm	Ava Smith
Caroline Hamm	Brooke Wade

Thank you to Catechists: Greg Rowe & Ken Shifferly



The Week Ahead

Sunday, October 22

9:00am-12:00pm - Confirmation Rite of Enrollment & Retreat

9:35am-10:50am - PSR

Monday, October 23

6:30pm - Living Rosary

7:00pm - RCIA

Tuesday, October 24

Wednesday, October 25

7:00pm - Advent Liturgical Planning Mtg.

Thursday, October 26

9:30am - Divine Mercy Chaplet

7:00pm - Scripture Study

Friday, October 27

6:30pm-8:30pm - Chili Cook Off

Saturday, October 28

Welcome Weekend

8:30am-12:00pm - Parish Council Retreat

Sunday, October 29

Welcome Weekend

9:35am-10:50am - PSR

\$50,000 CHALLENGE

The need for space, increased parish activities and community outreach are some of the reasons we've shared regarding our capital campaign. Would you like another reason? How about 50,000 of them? A generous parishioner will match any new donation to the *Continuing Our Journey* campaign up to \$50,000. This is a great opportunity to double your donation without doubling the amount you are giving! Currently the campaign is at \$2,106,909 and growing. By joining those who have already given, we can reach our goal of \$2.5M through your generous support and prayers.



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, Oct. 14/15:	\$7,256.50		
E-Giving:	\$3,985.40		
Total:	\$11,241.90	\$12,551.00	(\$1,309.10)
YTD:	\$193,203.97	\$200,816.00	(\$7,612.03)

Coming Events

Mark your Calendars! CHILI COOK OFF



OLQP's 3rd Annual Chili Cook Off (Formerly Fall Festival) will be held **Friday, October 27th from 6 PM to 8:30 PM!**

Join us as a community for a Chili Cook Off! Hot dogs from the Holy Name Society, French Fries from the Knights of Columbus, and delicious desserts from our Ladies Guild! Bring the kids to Trunk ~ or Treat from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM! See you there!

Sign Ups for the Chili Cook off and Trunk ~or~Treat participants will take place after Mass this weekend and next! Have any questions? Stop by the table or call the office for more details! You can also sign up by calling the office or emailing Elizabeth: emiketo@olqpgraffton.org!

See you there!



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