



*A Catholic Community...
Our Lady Queen of Peace
& St. Thomas More*

Our Lady Queen of Peace
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Mass Times (as of 8/15/20)
Monday & Wednesday: 7:00 a.m.
Saturday 4:30 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Holy Days of Obligation: as printed in bulletin

Office Hours
OLQP Wednesday 1:00-4:00 for drop-ins
(church open for prayer)
STM Monday 8:00-11:00 for drop ins
(church open for prayer)
Other times - call first to be sure we're here.
www.olqpstm.com
Confessions by appointment only

St. Thomas More
2617 East Avenue - Rochester, NY 14610
585-381-4200 - email: stm@dor.org

Mass Times (as of 8/15/20)
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 a.m.
Saturday 4:30 p.m. Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Holy Days of Obligation: as printed in bulletin

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents are to notify a parish office soon after they know they are expecting. A pre-baptismal program is required.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)

Adults seeking full initiation, Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, or those wishing to be in full communion with the Roman Catholic Church are asked to contact a parish office for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment only. Call the office to schedule.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrangements must be made at least six months, preferably a year, in advance of the desired date. A marriage preparation program is required.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This Sacrament is available for individuals upon request and communal celebrations are periodically scheduled.

Ministry to the Sick

Please call a parish office concerning the needs of the sick, hospitalized or shut-ins. Those unable to attend Mass may have Communion brought to them.

Prayer Network

For prayer support in time of need, call Ann Parsons at 244-0477 or Gerri Foes at 944-4888 or gfprayer@gmail.com

Available at both parishes:

Available at OLQP



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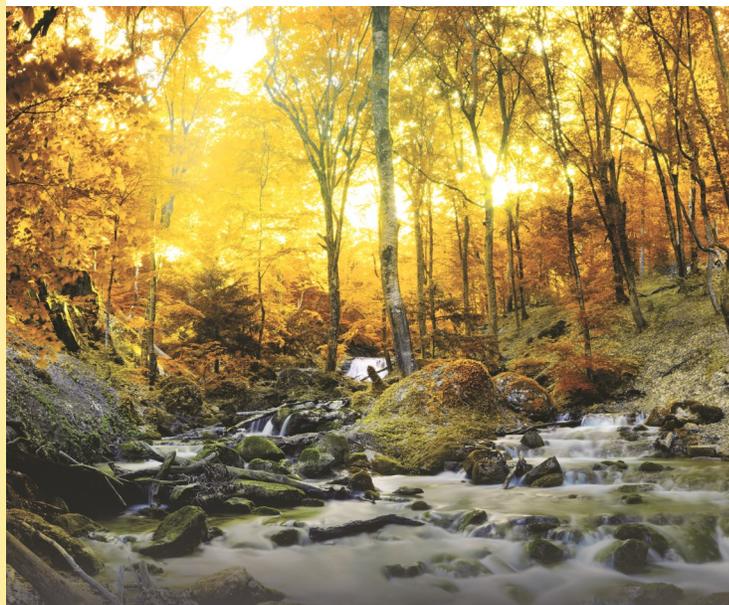


Upon Request
Low Gluten Hosts



Interpreter for the hearing impaired.

November 15, 2020



33rd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.'" - Mt 25:20

Welcome...

We graciously welcome all new parishioners and visitors to our community. To register please fill out a "request card" available at church entrances. Please drop it in the collection basket or at the office. A member of our pastoral staff will contact you to complete your registration.

Mission Statement

The parishes of Our Lady Queen of Peace and St. Thomas More are Roman Catholic Communities that worship and live in faith. Nourished by the Sacraments, Scripture, and a diversity of individual gifts, we understand that our mission comes from Jesus Christ who calls us to teach, to preach, to serve those in need, and to be a presence of Christ in the world.

Mass Schedule

Monday, November 16 St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, virgin

Rv 1:1-4;2:1-5 Ps 1:1-4,6 Lk 18:35-43

OLQP 7:00 AM Intentions of Debra Goodman - Linda McCauley

Tuesday, November 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

Rv 3:1-6,14-22 Ps 15:2-5 Lk 19:1-10

STM 8:00 AM †Frank & Genevieve Palermo - Marty & Mary Jane Rimmele

ONLINE MASS People of the Parish

Wednesday, November 18 The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul, apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, virgin

Rv 4:1-11 Ps 150:1b-6 Lk 19:11-28

OLQP 8:00 AM †Margaret Richardson - Ann Whittaker

Thursday, November 19

Rv 5:1-10 Ps 149:1b-6a,9b Lk 19:41-44

STM 8:00 AM †Fred Wolff - Family

ONLINE MASS Special Intention

Friday, November 20

Rv 10:8-11 Ps 119:14,24,72,103,111,131 Lk 19:45-48

STM 8:00 AM †John Glavin - Glavin Family

ONLINE MASS †Jane Connor

Saturday, November 21 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:4-12 Ps 144:1-2,9-10 Lk 20:27-40

OLQP 4:30 PM †Raymond W. Haubner - Ruth Murphy Haubner

STM 4:30 PM †Mancuso, Loiacano, & Sparacino Families - Richard & Mary Ann Loiacano

Sunday, November 22 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Ez 34:11-12,15-17 Ps 23:1-3,5-6 1 Cor 15:20-26,28 Mt 25:31-46

OLQP 9:00 AM †Barbara Gregory - Osterwinter Family

STM 11:00 AM †Eileen Farrell - Family



Sanctuary Lamp Intention this week at OLQP is in Memory of: Jane Connor



Prayers Requested:

Please pray for the individuals who have requested our prayers: Patrick Brennan, Mary Jean & Carmine Castellano, Christine Barry Comito, Bud Cottier, Mary Ann Fischer, Louise Foxenburgh, Mary Helen Hiller, Ginger Ierardi, Steven Kistner, Barbara Labroi, Rachael M., Lourdes May, Cecile McDonald, Cathy Miccia, Janice Milliman, Kelly Farrell Murphy, Dolly Nolan, Quinn Oliphant, Bob O'Neill, Cathy Pemaselli, Phillip Pinto, Sheilah Quigley, Marty Rimmele, Marion Robinson, Penny Rose, Paul Speranza, Tom & Kathleen Sullivan, Barb Tindale, and Phillipa Wilson.



Living in the Spirit



Newspapers across the United States printed banner headlines recently proclaiming: "Pope Francis calls for civil union laws for same-sex couples." Needless to say, many Catholics were confused. Had the Catholic Church changed its teaching?

It seems that a recently released Italian movie documentary entitled "Francesco," which pieces together various interviews with Pope Francis and various public statements the Pope has made on immigration, poverty, and the environment also included several brief remarks on homosexual persons, which, stuck together, say something more than the Pope intended.

In a 2019 interview, from which the comments came, the Pope told a Mexican reporter that children should not be ostracized from their families because of their sexual orientation. He remarked: "Homosexual people have a right to be in a family. They're children of God and have a right to a family. You can't kick someone out of a family or make their life miserable because of this [orientation]." The reporter then asked the Pope whether he had changed his strong stand against same-sex marriage since becoming Bishop of Rome. Previously Pope Francis had forcefully opposed a same-sex marriage bill that was before the Argentine legislature in 2010 and has reaffirmed that stand many times since, saying "it is an incongruity to speak of homosexual marriage". Nevertheless, in Argentina and in Rome the Pope has always spoken with compassion about the situation of homosexual couples who are put in jeopardy because they have few or no rights before the law and so he told the reporter: "What we have to have is a civil union law; they have a right to be legally covered." As such, the Pope's remarks break no new ground. At first glance, there is no change in any of this from previous Magisterial teaching such as found in the *Catechism*.

In 1992, Pope St. John Paul II promulgated the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, which taught: "The number of men and women who have deep-seated homosexual tendencies is not negligible. They do not choose their homosexual condition; for most of them it is a trial. They must be accepted with respect, compassion, and sensitivity. Every sign of unjust discrimination in their regard should be avoided." (CCC #2358) In his remarks to the Mexican reporter, Pope Francis was alluding to the discrimination homosexuals face in employment, housing, healthcare and the rights of inheritance, where appropriate protections have not been enshrined in law.

Sometimes the Church has been a party to that discrimination. In 2002, for example, the Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (CDF) issued a clarification for Bishops which seemed to negate the *Catechism's* teaching, recommending that bishops oppose laws "which would make discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation illegal." By way of explanation, the CDF held that "such initiatives, even where they seem more directed toward support of basic civil rights than condonement of homosexual activity or a homosexual lifestyle, may in fact have a negative impact on the family and society." (CDF, Preface: "Some considerations concerning the response to legislative proposals on

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the non-discrimination of homosexual persons”). With this context now clear, what Pope Francis had been suggesting was not changing the teaching of the Church on homosexual marriage but setting aside the CDF’s extremely narrow interpretation of what the Catechism means by “unjust discrimination” against homosexual persons.

Nevertheless, even if Pope Francis’ remarks do not pertain to Catholic doctrine, as a Vatican clarifying statement rightly holds, they do suggest a change in pastoral practice by setting aside the conclusions of a 2003 statement by the CDF that “respect for homosexual persons cannot lead in any way to approval of homosexual behavior or to legal recognition of homosexual unions.” (CDF, “Considerations regarding proposals to give legal recognition to unions between homosexual persons”, #11) This pastoral approach to civil unions falls completely in line with Pope Francis’ constant teaching about the importance of the Church in mediating the mercy of God in every aspect of life.

Peace to all,
Fr. Hart

With Advent around the corner, thoughts of baby Jesus come to mind. But this should also remind us of the many homeless women and children in the Rochester area, who like the Holy Family, risk being out in the cold this season.



Our parishes, in conjunction with the Faith Formation program, have agreed to collect items to donate to Bethany House which serves those in need.

Items to be collected are: Diapers, Wipes, Clothing, and Baby Supplies. Donations will be accepted at each worship site until November 29th.

Welcome! ... to our new parishioners:

**Dennis & Heidi McCarthy, and their daughter, Corrina
Michael & Courtney McDonough, and their children,
Connor & Patrick**

We are pleased to have you join our faith community!

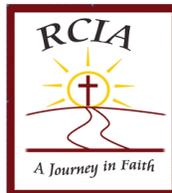
Have you given thought to becoming Catholic? Are you or do you know someone who may be interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church?

Then a journey called the **R.C.I.A.** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) may be just what you are looking for. (There is also a similar journey for children age 7 and older).

This journey is for anyone who is

- baptized in the Catholic Church, but may not have made First Communion or been Confirmed;
- baptized in another Christian Church, but now desire to become a member of our faith community;
- someone who has not been baptized.

If this sounds like something you may want to be involved in or if you have any questions, please contact Mary Ann Obark at (585) 490-0389 or email Maryann.Obark@dor.org.



Housekeeping

A few items, just to keep us all updated.

•Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26th will be at OLQP at 9:00am. We will be able to livestream that Mass since it will be at OLQP. Check our website to access this Mass online.

•We will be livestreaming Masses weekly at OLQP - those Masses are 4:30 on Saturday and 7:00am on both Monday and Wednesday. If anyone has any questions or concerns please contact Meghan at meghan.robinson@dor.org.



When you support the Catholic Ministries Appeal, you celebrate your faith in thanksgiving with thousands of other Catholics within the Diocese of Rochester, ensuring that our church provides richly for the faithful within our Diocese. In this difficult time we invite you to, prayerfully, consider making your contribution to CMA.

Our parishes benefit from your donation.

Visit <https://www.dor.org/giving/catholic-ministries-appeal/> for more information.

STM
Goal - \$75,520.00
\$29,835.00 as of 11/9
39.51% of goal 68 Donors

OLQP
Goal - \$64,653.00
\$29,721.00 as of 11/9
45.97% of goal 60 Donors



**A Conversation with Sisters of Selma
Tuesday, November 17th - 3 p.m.
Register here or go to [https://
actionpage.causeview.com/
actionpage/29411202045102959](https://actionpage.causeview.com/actionpage/29411202045102959)**

Global Sisters Report invites you to join **Witness & Grace: A Conversation with Sisters of Selma with professor emerita Carol Coburn, who conducted our Q&A series, Mercy Sr. Patricia McCann and Therese Stawowy, who was a Sister of Loretto when she marched in Selma.** Our guests will share their experiences in this part of the Civil Rights movement in the 1960s, how it influenced their lives and ministries, and their insights on the parallels and differences with the ongoing struggle to counter structural racism today.

The cries for racial justice and equity ring loud and clear in these times. Since the brutal killings of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmed Arbery and others earlier this year, we have witnessed an outpouring of activism and demands that we confront the evils of structural racism. What they learned then continues to speak to us today.

Readings for the Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls.
 Her husband, entrusting his heart to her, has an unfailing prize.
 She brings him good, and not evil, all the days of her life.
 She obtains wool and flax and works with loving hands.
 She puts her hands to the distaff, and her fingers ply the spindle.
 She reaches out her hands to the poor,
 and extends her arms to the needy.
 Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting;
 the woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.
 Give her a reward for her labors, and let her works
 praise her at the city gates. **The Word of the Lord**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5**R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.**

Blessed are you who fear the LORD, who walk in his ways!
 For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork;
 blessed shall you be, and favored.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recesses of your home;
 Your children like olive plants around your table.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears the LORD.
 The LORD bless you from Zion: may you see the prosperity of
 Jerusalem all the days of your life.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.**2nd Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6**

Concerning times and seasons, brothers and sisters, you have no need for anything to be written to you.
 For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night.
 When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a
 pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness,
 for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day.
 We are not of the night or of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober.
The Word of the Lord

Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his
 possessions to them.

To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one-- to each according to his ability.

Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them,

and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two.

But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money.

"After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them.

The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five.

He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.'

His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters,
 I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.'

Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents.

See, I have made two more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant.

Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.'

Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said, 'Master, I knew you were a demanding
 person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter;

so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.'

His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant

and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it
 back with interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten.

For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not,
 even what he has will be taken away. And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside,

where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.'" **The Gospel of the Lord**

REFLECT**FIRST READING**

Our Jewish sage describes a model household that is governed by a wife's wisdom. What do you find appealing in this portrayal?

SECOND READING

Paul speaks of the unknown day upon which Christ will return as coming "like a thief in the night" and as the inescapable "labor pains" of a woman about to give birth. Why do you think Paul uses such jarring imagery?

GOSPEL READING

In his parable of the talents, Jesus teaches about the importance of using our God-given gifts faithfully and prudently. What would be a natural gift you have used well in your life?

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*“Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities.”
Matthew 25:21*

Corner

God calls us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us. He expects us to grow our gifts, use them wisely and be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given us.

Sacrificial Giving as of November 9

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2020—June 30, 2021

Thank you for sharing your gift of treasure. May the Lord bless you for your generosity.

OLQP - (Regular collections include ~ Sunday Offerings, Holy Days, Christmas & Easter)

STM - (Regular collections include ~ Sunday Offerings, Holy Days, Christmas & Easter)

Last Week's Regular Collections.....	\$2,859.00	Last Week's Regular Collections.....	\$6,712.00
Regular Collections Year-To-Date.....	\$93,811.50	Regular Collections Year-To-Date.....	\$86,956.90
Weekend Attendance.....	117	Weekend Attendance.....	160

Please contact Mary Kase at 581-4200 x 260 if you would like to sign up for electronic funds transfer (EFT.) Please contact Mary Kase at 581-4200 x 262 or mary.kase@dor.org **BEFORE** considering making a stock transfer for your donation to your parish..

Catholic Schools in Area:



Seton Catholic School
Grades Pre-K-6
Mrs. Patty Selig, Principal
473-6604



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Grades Pre-K-5
Mrs. Fran Barr, Principal
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