

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 5, 2021



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

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Office Hours
OLQP T. & Th 8:00-11:00
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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

Other times - call first to be sure we're here.

www.olqpstm.com
Confessions by appointment only

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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 Gerri Foos at 944-4888 or gfprayer@gmail.com

Business Office

Mary Kase, Racheal Stepien, Shelly Bragg
585-450-2999

Available at both parishes:

Available at OLQP



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Interpreter for the hearing impaired.

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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, September 6

Col 1:24-2:3 Ps 62:6-7,9 Lk 6:6-11

OLQP 8:00AM †Wallace Broadnax - Dyann Brown

Tuesday, September 7

Col 2:6-15 Ps 145:1b-2,8-11 Lk 6:12-19

STM 8:00 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, September 8 THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Mi 5:1-4a Ps 13:6abc Mt 1:1-16,18-23

OLQP 7:00 AM †Joseph I. Canderozzi - Dyann Brown

Thursday, September 9 St. Peter Claver, priest

Col 3:12-17 Ps 150:1b-6 Lk 6:27-38

STM 8:00 AM †Gertrude & Lewis Garvin - Regina & Kelley Garvin

Friday, September 10

1 Tm 1:1-2,12-14 Ps 16:1b-2a,7-8,11 Lk 6:39-42

STM 8:00 AM †Terry Dryer

Saturday, September 11

1 Tm 1:15-17 Ps 113:1b-7 Lk 6:43-49

OLQP 4:30 PM †Peggy Sullivan - Nancy K. Higgins

STM 4:30 PM †Susan Lawson - Bud & Gerri Foos

Sunday, September 12 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 50:4c-9a Ps 116:1-6,8-9 Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35

OLQP 9:00 AM †Josephine Wager - Richard O'Donnell

STM 11:00 AM †Frank & Genevieve Palermo - Marty & Mary Jane Rimmele



Prayers Requested:

Please pray for the individuals who have requested our prayers: Patrick Brennan, Mary Bush, Mary Jean Castellano, James Colterman, Philomena

Colucci, Bud Cottier, Gary Feldman, Ralph Grace, Mary Helen Hiller, Ginger Ierardi, Steven Kistner, Barbara Labroi, Peggy Lester, Rachael M., Lourdes May, Cecile McDonald, Cathy Miccia, Janice Milliman, Kelly Farrell Murphy, Dolly Nolan, Quinn Oliphant, Bob O'Neill, Marion Robinson, Tom & Kathleen Sullivan, Barb Tindale, and Phillippa Wilson.

Lector assignments for next weekend 9/11-12

OLQP 4:30 - Christine Bochen

9:00 - Helen Moore

STM 4:30 - Annette Bailey

11:00 - John Refermat



Living in the Spirit



As we age, time seems to fly past more and more quickly and days have a way of turning into years in the blink of an eye. With that preamble clearly in mind, I was stunned recently to learn that Bishop Matano will turn 75 on September 15. It was only "yesterday" that he was named the ninth Bishop of Rochester by Pope Francis on November 6, 2013, not yet eight years ago. By the law of the Church, however, he must now submit his resignation. As canon 401 puts it: "A diocesan bishop who has completed the seventy-fifth year of age is requested to present his resignation from office to the Supreme Pontiff, who will make provision after he has examined all the circumstances." Normally, that resignation receives a quick written response, accepting the resignation "nunc pro tunc," that is, it is accepted "now" though it will be fully implemented "then," at some later date when a successor will be named.

Until the Second Vatican Council, bishops did not ordinarily resign but the council fathers expressed the opinion that "the pastoral office of bishops is so important and onerous, diocesan bishops...are earnestly requested to resign from their office if on account of advanced age or from any other grave cause they become less able to carry out their duties." [CD 21] In implementing various aspects of the Council's teaching, in June 1966 Pope Paul VI issued an apostolic letter "Ecclesiae Sanctae" which, among other things, fixed the retirement age for diocesan bishops at 75.

On September 15, 2021, then, the selection of the 10th Bishop of Rochester will begin. The Holy See will not begin with a blank slate, however. About every 3 years, each diocesan bishop submits a list of 3 names "of presbyters whom he considers worthy of and suited to the episcopal function" to the bishops of his province [in our case to Cardinal Dolan and the bishops of New York State]. These names are discussed together in a confidential way and an annotated list is prepared and sent to the Pope's representative, the Papal Nuncio in Washington [Archbishop Christophe Pierre], "without prejudice to the right of each bishop individually to make known to the Apostolic See" his personal recommendations. [C 377 §2]

When a vacancy exists in a diocese, either because of the transfer, resignation or retirement of a diocesan bishop, the Papal Nuncio is charged with preparing a list of 3 names to be sent to Rome for consideration. He arrives at that list from the names previously submitted by the bishops of that particular province, the current suggestions of the metropolitan archbishop [Cardinal Dolan], the suggestions of the president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops [Archbishop Gomes] and his own suggestions. When he has narrowed down the list, he begins to consult confidentially with some priests from the candidate's home diocese (consultors, presbyteral council members, chancery officials) and "if he judges it expedient, is also to seek individually and in secret the opinion of others from both the secular and non-secular clergy and from laity outstanding in wisdom." [C 377 §3]

When the Nuncio thus consults a bishop, priest or lay person, he usually sends the individual a questionnaire in a double envelope, the outer envelope with the address and the inner envelope

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with a warning that the consultation must be kept perpetually secret “under pain of excommunication,” lest the process admit politicking or corruption. What the Nuncio is earnestly seeking is a priest “outstanding in solid faith, good morals, piety, zeal for souls, wisdom, prudence, and human virtues, and endowed with other qualities which make him suitable to fulfill the office in question.” [C 379 §1]

At this point, the Nuncio submits his ternus, his list of 3 names, to the Holy See, in the order of his preference. In Rome that list of candidates is prepared to be vetted by the 30 Cardinals appointed by the Pope to the Congregation of Bishops. Two Americans now sit on that Congregation: Cardinal Blasé Cupich of Chicago and Cardinal Joseph Tobin of Newark. While the Congregation meets every two weeks, the Americans usually attend only when an English-speaking bishop is being considered. The Congregation’s recommendations, including any doubts, questions or minority opinions, are then sent to the Pope, who usually approves the Congregation’s decision after considering them for several days. The Congregation then notifies the Nuncio, who telephones the candidate, asking whether he will accept the Pope’s appointment. If he says “no,” the process starts all over again.

In any event, Bishop Matano deserves our thanks and prayers as he completes his fruitful ministry among us. While he waits for the announcement of his successor, he knows that sometimes that announcement comes quickly but more often there is a long delay lasting from 6 months to a year or more. In the meantime, may his heart rest in peace knowing that he has served us well.

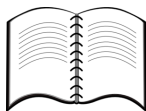
Peace to all,

Fr. Hart

2022 Mass Intention Books

The Mass Intention books for 2022 will be available for scheduling **for the period of January through December on September 29th at 8:00 am** at both

worship sites. All requests will be honored unless there are multiple requests on any given day. In that event requests will be “pulled from a hat.” All requestors will be notified if they do not get a requested date. Any questions - please call the office at 381-4200 or 244-3010.



Outreach Update – School Supply Collection

Thanks to all who brought school supplies to our annual collection. This year Our Lady of Lourdes parishioners also participated. The donations filled the Gathering Space at St. Thomas More with notebooks, pens, pencils, scissors, bookbags, folders, hand sanitizer and all the other items that will help the students during the new school year. Eleven parishioners pitched in to sort and organize the hundreds of supplies collected, getting them packed up and ready to be delivered to the schools. The school principals and staff all expressed their gratitude for remembering their students in the very



generous way.

Please remember these and all students, teachers and staff in your prayers that they have a healthy and successful year and may God Bless you for your continued support and generosity.



The offices will be closed in celebration of Labor Day on Monday September 6. Mass will be at OLQP at 8:00am on that day. There will be no Mass at STM on Monday.

**Mass honoring 1st Responders
on the Anniversary of 9/11
Saturday September 11, 2021
4:00pm
Sacred Heart Cathedral**

Please join Bishop Salvatore Matano, as, in gratitude, we pray to God for the safety of all First Responders who so selflessly serve our community, and for all who served with courage in the tragic events of September 11, 2001, especially those who gave their lives or were injured.

Registration for the 2021-2022 Faith Formation year has begun!



FAITH FORMATION

To Register Online:

Be sure to check our website www.OLQPSTM.com

Click on Faith Formation and the Tab marked Registration.

You can fill out the form Online or print off the PDF to submit a physical Form.

To Pay Faith Formation Fees:

This year you will be able to pay your Faith Formation Registration Fees through EFT!

Simply use the **Connect Now- OLQP Online Giving!** (Be sure it is for Our Lady Queen of Peace)

When you open your Connect Now account, simply go to Fund selection and select Faith Formation.

Be sure to look for the Connect Now Icon on the homepage to set up an EFT account if you haven't done so already.

You may also pay by *check*, but ALL Faith Formation Checks must be made out to **Our Lady Queen of Peace.**

Brochures outlining this year's program can also be found on the website and in physical form in the Narthex of each Brighton parish!

CALLING FUTURE CATECHISTS!!

Do you feel the call to share your faith with our young people?

Do you have gifts and talents that would help inspire and encourage our families as they raise the next generation?

We are currently in need of Catechists for: Kindergarten, Grade 4, 5, 6 & 7

We also are in need of Teacher's Aides and substitute teachers who could fill in periodically.

All classroom learning is happening at Our Lady Queen of Peace, but Catechists from all four of our parishes are most welcome!

First, talk to God about it, then, email Jennifer Abdalla at: Jennifer.Abdalla@dor.org!

Let's Grow together!

Readings for the Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading Is 35:4-7a

Thus says the LORD: Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not!
 Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you.
 Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared;
 then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing.
 Streams will burst forth in the desert, and rivers in the steppe.
 The burning sands will become pools, and the thirsty ground, springs of water.

The Word of the Lord**Responsorial Psalm Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10****R. Praise the Lord, my soul!**

The God of Jacob keeps faith forever,
 secures justice for the oppressed,
 gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets captives free.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

The LORD gives sight to the blind;
 the LORD raises up those who were bowed down.
 The LORD loves the just; the LORD protects strangers.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

The fatherless and the widow the LORD sustains,
 but the way of the wicked he thwarts.
 The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion,
 through all generations. Alleluia.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!**2nd Reading Jas 2:1-5**

My brothers and sisters, show no partiality
 as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ.
 For if a man with gold rings and fine clothes
 comes into your assembly,
 and a poor person in shabby clothes also comes in,
 and you pay attention to the one wearing the fine clothes
 and say, "Sit here, please, "
 while you say to the poor one, "Stand there, " or "Sit at my feet, "
 have you not made distinctions among yourselves
 and become judges with evil designs?
 Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters.
 Did not God choose those who are poor in the world
 to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom
 that he promised to those who love him? **The Word of the Lord**

REFLECT**FIRST READING**

The prophet Isaiah spoke of the importance of being strong of heart when it comes the ways of God. Why do you think this is such an important virtue?

SECOND READING

James encouraged believers to view the rich and poor from God's perspective. Why do you think people struggle with this divine point of view?

GOSPEL READING

In today's reading, we hear how Jesus healed the deaf man with a speech impediment at the request of the "people" close to this man. Who do you know in your life who needs healing from Jesus?

Gospel Mark 7:31-37

Again Jesus left the district of Tyre and went by way of Sidon to the Sea of Galilee,
 into the district of the Decapolis.
 And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him.
 He took him off by himself away from the crowd.
 He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue;
 then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him,
 "*Ephphatha!*" — that is, "Be opened!" —
 And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed,
 and he spoke plainly.
 He ordered them not to tell anyone.
 But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it.
 They were exceedingly astonished and they said,
 "He has done all things well.
 He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak." **The Gospel of the Lord**

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James 2:5

Corner

What is more important – being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society tells us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first and experience true joy and peace. When we put possessions first, we soon realize we can never have enough and happiness is fleeting. When we put faith over possessions we truly realize it is better to give than receive.

Sacrificial Giving as of August 31

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2021—June 30, 2022

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)

Last Week's Regular Collections.....	\$2,792.95
Regular Collections Year-To-Date.....	\$41,422.30
Missionary Collection.....	\$1,559.00
Weekend Attendance.....	186

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

Last Week's Regular Collections.....	\$3,379.00
Regular Collections Year-To-Date.....	\$35,804.00
Missionary Collection.....	\$1,599.65
Weekend Attendance.....	210

Please contact Mary Kase at 450-2999 if you would like to sign up for electronic funds transfer (EFT.) Please contact Mary Kase at 450-2999 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



St. Louis School
Grades Pre-K-5
Mrs. Eileen Schenk, Principal
586-5200

