



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

Our Lady Queen of Peace
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Office Hours
OLQP T, & Th 8:00-11:00
STM M & W 8:00-11:00

St. Thomas More
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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

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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

Available at both worship sites on Saturday 3:30 - 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

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, Sharon Chaplain
585-450-2999

Available at both parishes:

Available at OLQP



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January 30, 2022

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[He said to them],
"Today this Scripture
passage is fulfilled in
your hearing."

LUKE 4:21

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, January 31 St. John Bosco, priest
2 Sm 15:13-14,30;16;5-13 Ps 3:2-7 Mk 5:1-20
 OLQP 7:00 AM †Jim & Estelle Gilliam - Marcy Schaarschmidt

Tuesday, February 1
2 Sm 18:9-10,14b,24-25a,30--19:3 Ps 86:1-6 Mk 5:21-43
 STM 8:00 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, February 2 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
Mal 3:1-4 Ps 24:7-10 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40
 OLQP 7:00 AM †Jim Keenan - Judy Curtin

Thursday, February 3 St. Blaise, bishop, martyr; St. Ansgar, bishop
1 Kgs 2:1-4,10-12 (Ps) 1 Chr 29:10-11b,11d-12 Mk 6:7-13
 STM 8:00 AM †James Hart - Jerry & Carole Frantz

Friday, February 4
Sir 47:2-11 Ps 18:31,47,50-51 Mk 6:14-29
 STM 8:00 AM †Terry Dryer

Saturday, February 5 St. Agatha, virgin, martyr
1 Kgs 3:4-13 Ps 119:9-14 Mk 6:30-34
 OLQP 4:30 PM †Fr. Tony Valente
 STM 4:30 PM †Keith Alan Bopp - Mary Jo & Caitlin Bopp

Sunday, February 6 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Is 6:1-2a,3-8 Ps 138:1-5,7-8 1 Cor 15:1-11 Lk 5:1-11
 OLQP 9:00 AM †Jim Keenan - Henry Family
 STM 11:00 AM †Irene Peartree - Jerry & Carole Frantz



Sanctuary Lamp Intention this week at OLQP is in Memory of: Mary Ann Nichols



Prayers Requested:

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

Colterman, Bud Cottier, Michael DeFranco, Gary Feldman, Betsie Heffernan, Mary Helen Hiller, Ginger Ierardi, Steven Kistner, Barbara Labroi, John Lewman, Lourdes May, Ryan Maciaszek, Cecile McDonald, Cathy Miccia, Janice Milliman, Kelly Farrell Murphy, Dolly Nolan, Quinn Oliphant, Bob O'Neill, Marion Robinson, Tony Rossi, Tom & Kathleen Sullivan, Barb Tindale, and Phillippa Wilson.

Lector assignments for next weekend 2/5-6

OLQP 4:30 - Margot Lutz 9:00 - Christine Bochen
 STM 4:30 - Bud Foss 11:00 - Gaven Hurley

Altar Flowers for next weekend at STM - Bill Shelly

Nursing Homes for next weekend

Friendly Home-Sue Bayer, Eric Klaus, Susan Stutzman
Highlands at Brighton - Mary Attridge



Living in the Spirit



About 7 years ago a man in Concord, Massachusetts, purchased two items at an estate sale: an imitation jade necklace for \$1 and a small drawing of the Virgin Mary with child Jesus for \$30. Over the following months, he showed the small beautiful drawing to various friends, one of whom was intrigued by the "AD" penciled-in at the bottom. After holding the artwork up to the light, this friend exclaimed: "I think you've bought an original Albrecht Dürer drawing!" The owner thought that impossible since Dürer's artistic output, as one of the most important artists of the 14th century Northern Renaissance, was well-known and completely accounted for. But last month, a panel of experts at the British Museum in London, after a careful study of the art piece itself, as well as the paper and its watermark, declared the work a genuine undiscovered drawing by Dürer entitled "The Virgin and Child with a Flower on a Grassy Bench." According to various London art galleries, the drawing should bring its owner tens of millions of dollars at auction -- not a bad return for a \$30 investment!

Jesus uses just such a background story when he tells several parables about the discovery of treasure: "The kingdom of heaven" he says, "is like treasure hidden in a field which a man found and covered up; then in his joy, he goes and sells all that he has, and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it." (Mt 13:44-46)

I wonder whether this true story and these parables of Jesus can help us to discover again the treasure of prayer in our lives. All too many people these days complain that prayer at Mass or at home is boring, meaningless, a total waste of time. But in all three of our stories, the person who is looking for something of value finds it. He or she is an active participant, a seeker, someone who wants to find something good and is willing to spend time and energy to achieve it. Here we arrive at rule number one in the spiritual life: If you want a relationship with God which is rich and deep and life sustaining, you have to invest the time. You have to pray persistently every day, despite distractions, even if it seems to go nowhere. You have to be present at Sunday Mass, even if you think you are not getting anything out of it. St. Theresa of Avila tells us that this stage of prayer is like watering a garden laboriously by pulling up buckets-full of water from a well again and again and again.

Rule number two in the spiritual life: Get help...from spiritual people, from books, articles, internet, from a regular confessor, from spiritual retreats, etc. If the man with the Dürer drawing had kept the artwork to himself, it would be still worth \$30. But, because he shared the drawing with friends and dealers and followed their advice to consult various experts who knew more than they, he knows now that he has discovered a pearl of great price. At this stage, according to St. Theresa, the watering of the garden is much easier as if we now had some mechanical device to help.

Rule number three in the spiritual life: be open to the "still small voice" of God who comes to us in silence, whispering where

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we are to go and what we are to do. In following that voice, we discover its volume becomes louder and its presence more persistent. And God, who was once thought absent from our lives, is now found to be our constant companion on the journey, our closest friend. Once again, using St. Theresa's images, we no longer need to water the garden with difficulty because now God makes it rain. At this point, we have discovered the treasure which was buried in our hearts all along.

Peace to all,
Fr. Hart



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. As you can see below we are about \$12,000.00 short at STM and about \$18,000.00 short at OLP. Any shortfall will come directly out of our operating budget. 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 - \$74,300.00
\$62,145.00 as of 1/24
84.08% of goal 137 Donors

OLQP

Goal - \$68,776.00
\$50,780.00 as of 1/24
73.83% of goal 138 Donors



Outreach Meeting

The Outreach Committee will be meeting on **Monday, January 31st at St. Thomas More Gathering Space at 3:00PM.** The purpose of the meeting is to plan activities for the upcoming months. We are interested in hearing your ideas of ways that we can reach out and help those in need throughout our community. Some of our ongoing activities include serving dinners at Bethany House, delivering groceries from the monthly Supermarket Sunday collection to Sr. Regis Food Cupboard, providing home made soup once a month to food shelters (Soup Saturday) as well as various collections of basic needs such as toiletries, socks and underwear. We appreciate the generosity of our parishioners in making these activities possible. If cannot join us in person on Monday but have ideas to share or would like to attend through Zoom, please contact Gail at gailkindlon@gmail.com or 585-309-6950. Your input is important to us.

Help Wanted! Catechists & Classroom Assistants!!

Dear Parishioners,

We are in desperate need of additional Catechists and teacher aids to both finish out the 2022 school year and looking ahead to the 2022-23 school year. If you would be able to offer any availability to keep our program running for our students, it would be greatly appreciated! We will work with you to help you learn how to teach the curriculum or can find indirect roles such as safety, front door and hallway monitoring. We have both In person and Zoom classroom openings available. Volunteers must be fully vaccinated and adhere to all safety protocols.

If you feel called to serve this great need within our Church community, please contact Jennifer Abdalla today!
Jennifer.Abdalla@dor.org



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday February 12, 2022

8:30am-1:30pm

STM

Gathering Space



APPOINTMENTS ARE ENCOURAGED

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Don't forget to sign up to participate in our Synod Listening Sessions. They are coming up in February. We have made it easy to sign up - at church entrances or via Flocknotes. We request and appreciate your help in this process.

HELP NEEDED

Mary's Place Refugee Outreach is looking for drivers to participate in our weekly food distribution to the refugee population in Rochester, and the town of Greece.

Volunteers will arrive at Mary's Place at 11:45AM on Wednesdays and pull into the front loop of our building (the former Holy Rosary!). They will be provided with an ordered list of addresses, and a map with the corresponding sequence of deliveries to be made. The routes have between eight and twelve stops, and are completed in 40 minutes to an hour! Staff will then load their car with the items to be delivered that day, and the driver will be sent on their way. Volunteers need only drop the food on a front doorstep, ring the doorbell or knock, and make their way to the next delivery.

NO CONTACT REQUIRED!!!

Please reach out to Matthew Palocy at Matthew.Palocy@marysplaceoutreach.org or (585) 270-8626 with any questions!!!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

| | Monday January 31 | Tuesday February 1 | Wednesday February 2 | Thursday February 3 | Friday February 4 | Saturday February 5 | Sunday February 6 |
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| AT OLQP | K-5 Faith Formation 6:00-7:15pm | K-5 Faith Formation 6:00-7:15pm | Knit/Crochet Group 9:00-11:00am | Synod Listening Session 7:00pm | | Soup Saturday 8:00am | Choir Rehearsal 10:15am |
| AT STM | Outreach Mtg. 3:00-4:00pm | | | | | | Choir Rehearsal 9:30am |

Readings for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading Jer 1:4-5, 17-19

The word of the LORD came to me, saying: Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you.

But do you gird your loins; stand up and tell them all that I command you.

Be not crushed on their account, as though I would leave you crushed before them; for it is I this day who have made you a fortified city, a pillar of iron, a wall of brass, against the whole land: against Judah's kings and princes, against its priests and people. They will fight against you but not prevail over you, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD. **The Word of the Lord**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17

R. I will sing of your salvation.

In you, O LORD, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

In your justice rescue me, and deliver me; incline your ear to me, and save me.

R. I will sing of your salvation.

Be my rock of refuge, a stronghold to give me safety, for you are my rock and my fortress.

O my God, rescue me from the hand of the wicked.

R. I will sing of your salvation.

For you are my hope, O Lord; my trust, O God, from my youth.

On you I depend from birth; from my mother's womb you are my strength.

R. I will sing of your salvation.

My mouth shall declare your justice, day by day your salvation.

O God, you have taught me from my youth, and till the present I proclaim your wondrous deeds.

R. I will sing of your salvation.

2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 12:31--13:13 (shorter version due to space constraints)

Brothers and sisters:

Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous, it is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails. If there are prophecies, they will be brought to nothing; if tongues, they will cease; if knowledge, it will be brought to nothing. For we know partially and we prophesy partially, but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. When I was a child, I used to talk as a child, think as a child, reason as a child; when I became a man, I put aside childish things. At present we see indistinctly, as in a mirror, but then face to face. At present I know partially; then I shall know fully, as I am fully known. So faith, hope, love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love. **Word of the Lord**

Gospel Luke 4:21-30

Jesus began speaking in the synagogue, saying: "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" He said to them, "Surely you will quote me this proverb, 'Physician, cure yourself,' and say, 'Do here in your native place the things that we heard were done in Capernaum.'" And he said, "Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place. Indeed, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah when the sky was closed for three and a half years and a severe famine spread over the entire land. It was to none of these that Elijah was sent, but only to a widow in Zarephath in the land of Sidon. Again, there were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elisha the prophet; yet not one of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away. **The Gospel of the Lord**

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Corner

*“Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous...”
 (1 CORINTHIANS 13:4)*

Do you get jealous? Do you focus more on the things that other people have than on the gifts that God has given to you? Are you pompous? Do you acquire more possessions to impress others? At times we are all guilty of these things. Pray for more humility. Humility helps us become less “self-centered” and become more “God-centered” for the sake of others.

Sacrificial Giving as of January 24

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.....\$4,695.73
 Regular Collections Year-To-Date.....\$169,914.22
 Weekend Attendance.....178

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

Last Week's Regular Collections.....\$6,697.27
 Regular Collections Year-To-Date.....\$164,140.27
 Weekend Attendance.....236

You can go to our website at olqpstm.com to donate online. Click on Connect Now. Please contact Mary Kase 450-2999 if you have any questions. Please contact Mary Kase by phone or email at mary.kase@dor.org **BEFORE** considering making a stock transfer to donate to your parish..

Catholic Schools in Area:



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



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

