QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the “Queen of Peace” Community, believe our Mission is to serve God and to worship together.

We are committed to promoting Unity, while bringing Peace, Acceptance and Justice to those we meet.

We seek to live our faith and to become a healing community that is open to change and growth with respect to one another’s heritage.

1st SUNDAY OF LENT

Then the devil took Jesus up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, “All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me.” - Mt 4:8-9

1er DOMINGO DE LA CUARESMA

Luego lo llevó el diablo a un monte muy alto y desde allí le hizo ver la grandezza de todos los reinos del mundo y le dijo: “Te daré todo esto, si te postras y me adoras”. - Mt 4, 8-9
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Patricia McKenna ....................... Secretary
Rick Milks .................................. Maintenance

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Catholic Charities .................. 272-2080

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Thursday-Friday ................. 8:00 am-12:00 pm

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Emergency Phone ................... 252-8211
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Vice Chair .................. Eliana Garcia
Secretary ......................... Becky Adams

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Faith Formation Commission... Armando Gomez
& Glenda Schmitz

MARRIAGE
Contact the priests at least six months before intended date.

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION/ANNOUNCING THE SICK
Call the rectory office at 226-3655 if you are unable to attend church and wish to receive Communion and/or be anointed.

HOSPITAL VISITS
If you or a member of your family are in the hospital or know that you are going to be hospitalized, please call the Parish Office at 226-3655.

BULLETIN DEADLINE
Please call the office by noon on Monday for announcements the following weekend. You may also bring them to the office or email them to: DBQ213sec2@dbqarch.org

INQUIRY CLASSES FOR RCIA
If you are not baptized or baptized and have been away from church a long time, contact Dave Cushing at 234-9912.

WEB PAGE ADDRESS
www.cedarnet.org/
dbq213 Our bulletin is put on the web page weekly.

Please check schedules on Page 3 for any temporary changes in weekly scheduling.

Readings for the week of March 1, 2020
Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 [cf. 3a]/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [Jn 6:63b]/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jn 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cd-e, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Please remember us in your will: We encourage you to remember Queen of Peace Catholic Church in your Last Will and Testament. It is a wonderful way to help ensure that the many good works of your parish keep becoming realities. Thank you, parishioners, for your generosity!
Liturgical Schedule

Date March 7-8, 2020
Saturday, 4:00 pm
Lector Jeff Kapler
Communion Ministers Jeff Kapler, Becky Adams, Brad Bauler, Matt & Deb Schultz, Francis Murphy
Servers Andy Bauler, Michelle Guzman
Ushers Jason Jensen, George Sutton
Sacristan Becky Adams
Musician Voices for God Choir

Sunday, 9:00 am
Lector Bev Kane
Communion Ministers Bonnie Anderson, Rosemary McGrane, Bill Shimek, Bev Kane, Mickey McGrane, Karen Buchanan
Mass Servers Kaden Morgan, Karlie Morgan
Ushers Don Frost, Randy Schmitz, Dan Schmitz
Sacristan Barb Huch
Musician Michelle Westphal

Sunday, 4:00 pm
Lector Marlyst Mohr
Communion Ministers Marlyst Mohr, Avahline Mohr, Carol Eckerman, Jack Black
Servers (Server needed)
Ushers Dennis Nissen
Sacristan Jack Black
Musicians (open)

NOTE: We are in need of more lectors for the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturdays. If you are interested in helping or wish to become a lector please contact the church office or Karen Buchanan. Thank you!

This Coming Week

Monday, March 2
6:30 pm Catholic Readers' Book Club Mtg. Rosewood Estates

Tuesday, March 3
8:00 am Quilting Club & Social Grace Rm.
1:00 pm Legion of Mary Mtg. Scallon Hall
1:30 pm Bible Sharing Meet at Bridges Senior Living
4:30-6 pm Community Meals Scallon Hall
6:30 pm Liturgy Committee Mtg. Scallon Hall

Wednesday, March 4
1:30 pm Bereavement Ministry Mtg. Rectory
5:30 pm Lenten Mass Church
6:15 pm Lenten Soup Supper Scallon hall
6:30 pm Voices for God Choir practice Church
7:00 pm Evening Prayer for the World Scallon Hall

Friday, March 6
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (Sp) Church

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 3
12:05 pm +Floyd & Helyn Watters

Wednesday, March 4
12:05 pm +Angelina Quinto
5:30 pm +Julio Cesar Mendez Rios

Thursday, March 5
12:05 pm +Audrey Murphy

Friday, March 6
12:05 pm +Jim & Marcie Dunnwald Family

Saturday, March 7
4:00 pm +Cheryl Waltemeyer

Sunday, March 8
9:00 am +Deacon Joseph & Elaine Morrison
12:00 pm +Mateo Torres Jimenez
4:00 pm +Lois & Knut Tillitson

March 1, 2020 First Sunday of Lent
What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship? Possessions? Pride? Power? Oh Lord, create for us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us!

Stewardship Week of
Feb. 22-23, 2020 Total of all Masses English & Spanish:

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DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES THERE IS NO REFLECTION THIS WEEK FROM DEACON RIGO REAL.

Peregrinación a Tierra Santa. Se les invita a unirse a nuestra peregrinación a tierra santa en septiembre del 2020. Cumpla el sueño de su vida a través de este viaje inspiraciones a Israel. Fortalezca su fe y se acérquese mas a Dios mientras camina tras los pasos de nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Visitaremos los sitios donde Jesús hizo sus primeros milagros, celebraremos la Santa Misa en las ciudades antiguas como Jerusalén, Belén, Nazaret, mar de Galilea (donde Pedro, Andrés, Santiago y Juan fueron llamados. Evangelio del domingo pasado), Cana y Jericó. Este jueves 13 de febrero a las 6:30 en el salón parroquial. Representantes de esta agencia de viajes estarán aquí. Más información, favor de llamar a la oficina. El Padre Pierre ira con nosotros.

Gran colecta de metales Se esta planeando una gran colecta de metales tales como cobre, aluminio, acero, hierro fundido, etc. Si usted tiene materiales en su garaje y no los usa, puede donarlos. Mas información estaremos dando en los próximo boletines.


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Nuestra Santísima Madre Reina de la Paz es Madre del Adviento. Caminemos con ella de la mano para preparar nuestros corazones y recibir a su Hijo en Navidad

Alma de Cristo, santifícame.
Cuerpo de Cristo, salvéame.
Sangre de Cristo, embríagame.
Agua del costado de Cristo, lávame.
Pasión de Cristo, confórtame. ¡Oh buen Jesús! Óyeme.

Dentro de tus llagas, escúndeme. No permitas que me aparte de ti. Del mal enemigo, defiéndeme. En la hora de mi muerte, llámame. Y mándame ir a ti para que con tus santos te alabe, por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.
From the 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

This gospel shows us that to chop up reality according to a black and white way of thinking is naïve. The way Jesus interprets the law makes it clear that there is a distinction between enforceable and unenforceable obligations. Enforceable obligations are regulated by the codes of society and the implementation of law-enforcement agencies. But unenforceable obligations are beyond all that. They concern inner attitudes, genuine person-to-person relations, and expressions of compassion which law books cannot regulate. Such obligations are met by our commitment to an inner law, written on the heart. If man-made law assures justice, a higher law produces love. Jesus today is emphasizing the importance of this higher law. He even asks us to love our enemies. That’s right, enemies! Being Christian is challenging. If you never feel challenged by your faith, maybe you haven’t taken enough time considering the big picture of a Christian life.

Now, what is this thing called Love? Greek language uses three words for love: eros, philia and agape. The word eros is a sort of aesthetic or romantic love. Philia is a reciprocal love and the intimate affection and friendship between friends. We love those whom we like, and we love because we are loved. Agape is understanding and goodwill for all men. An overflowing love which seeks nothing in return, it is the love of God operating in our heart. We love a person not because we like him/her, but because God loves him/her. At this level, we love the person who does an evil deed, although we hate the deed he does. That being said, “to love” and “to like” is not exactly the same. “Like” is a sentimental and affectionate word. How can we be affectionate toward a person whose aim is to crush us and place all kinds of stumbling blocks in our way? That is impossible. Maybe that’s why Jesus didn’t say to like our enemies. When Jesus bids us to love our enemies, he is speaking for sure of agape.

Let us see now the practical and theoretical reasons why we have to discover the meaning of this command of Jesus and seek to live it out in our daily lives. When it comes to loving our enemy, the million dollars question is always how and why should I do that. The short answer to that is that the survival of human species depends on it. To achieve its actual practice we have to: First: develop the capacity to forgive, second: recognize that the evil deed of your enemy never quite expresses all that he/she is; third: not seek to defeat your enemy but to win his friendship and understanding. Do not sub-estimate the power of prayer too.

That was the “how,” now, “why?” Because, first: returning hate to hate multiplies hate; second: hate distorts the personality destroying your sense of value and objectivity, you are hurting yourself when hate gets hold of your heart; third: we never get rid of an enemy by meeting hate with hate.

And you know, living to this standard doesn’t make you weak or a coward, on the contrary, only a strong and courageous person can do that. We don’t eulogize or give homage to haters; we even try to erase their name from history. But people who tried “love” live forever.

So if you want your name to belong to the ages and if you want to be considered a child of God, try love. May Jesus enable us to live up to this standard! Our Lady Queen of Peace... pray for us! - Fr. Pierre

Parish Happenings

LENTEN SCHEDULE AT QUEEN OF PEACE

Individual Confessions
Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 11:30-11:50am

Communal Penance
Saturday, April 4 at 1:00 pm  Queen of Peace Church
Stations of the Cross
Fridays 7:00 pm

Daily Masses During Lent
Tuesdays through Friday: 12:05pm
Wednesdays at 5:30 pm

WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPERS DURING LENT

Soup suppers will be served in Scallon Hall immediately after the 5:30 pm service beginning on Ash Wednesday and continue each Wednesday throughout Lent. Everyone is invited.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Bereavement Ministers on Wednesday, March 4 at 1:30 pm in the church rectory. If you are interested in joining this ministry, we would be happy to have you attend this meeting. Please call the church office at 319-226-3655 or Marsha Stroh at 319-493-8582.

QUEEN OF PEACE
PARISH HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE
SEPTEMBER 22 — OCTOBER 1, 2020

A few of the highlights: Celebrate mass at the world’s ancient cities such as Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Sea of Galilee, Cana, Jericho and many more! Be baptized at the Jordan River Baptismal site. Visit the Wailing Wall, Garden of Gethsemane, Mount of Olives and the Israeli Museum and many more biblical sites!

Trinity Tour Travels is a fully licensed and accredited tour group and ministry that specializes in leading church tours throughout the Holy Land. Taking reservations now! Join your fellow parishioners in this once in a lifetime opportunity. For more information please call the church office to request a brochure and registration form. 319-226-3655.
Youth Ministry

**Middle School:** Lent Prayer Jar Activity: Sunday, March 1st from 4:00pm-5:30pm in the youth office at Columbus. Please use the parking lot doors (Door 21). RSVP to Gen: wandrog@uni.edu

**High School:** Lent prayer and topic night. Youth office at Columbus. 6:30pm-8:00pm. We will begin the season of Lent with prayer and then talk about why bad things can happen to good people and how our faith guides us through those tough times.

**High School Confirmation**
Reminder that our final confirmation classes are set for March 4 and 8 (attend one). Classes will be held in the parish center at Blessed Sacrament. Confirmation candidates are asked to bring their sponsor or another trusted adult to the meeting. Please contact Annie Zeets with questions: an-niezeets@gmail.com

Adult Formation

**BISHOP BARRON’S VIDEO SERIES ON THE EUCHARIST** – Bishop Barron, author of the popular "Catholicism" series, examines the meaning and purpose of the Eucharist in this four-part series which we will offer during Lent. Learn more at waterloocatholics.org/eucharist-video
Register online and indicate the days and times which works best for you here: http://bit.do/eucharist-video

**BRIDGES TO CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING** – This five-part discussion series uses the insights of Thomas Merton and other spiritual writers to help participants understand and develop a more reflective and peaceful life. Learn more at waterloocatholics.org/bridges-for-lent
Register online and indicate the days and times which works best for you here: http://bit.do/bridges-2020

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION 101** – Saturday, March 7, March 28, April 4, 9:30-10:30 am. Faith Formation Center, Blessed Sacrament Early Childhood Center. This three-part Lenten series examines various dimensions of spiritual direction: what it is, the importance of holy listening, and the ability to discern movements of the heart. The series is free and open to the public. No registration required. It is not necessary to attend all three. Learn more online at: https://waterloocatholics.org/spiritual-direction-101
If you’re interested, but unable to join us, contact the Faith Formation Center at 319-233-0498.

Rise, and do not be afraid to trust: Saturday, March 7—Part 1
In the beginning after creating the heavens and earth and the first man, “the Lord God said: It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suited to him.” (Genesis 2:18). These words are a constant whisper in the heart of every person as we are primarily social beings, ever in need of love, companionship, and intimacy with others and with God. Yet we often fear trusting others with the details of our spiritual life or lack of. Our spiritual lives are not private affairs between us and the Lord, but have a public dimension as members of the corporate Body of Christ here on earth. We need each other and need guidance from those that have walked the walk. A spiritual director is a suitable helper to one that desires to hear the Lord and know the presence of God in his/her life. Rise, and do not be afraid to trust. Come discover what spiritual direction is and how it can help you grow in your relationship with God.

**BUSY CATHOLIC’S ONLINE LENTEN RETREAT** – March 16-22. This year’s online retreat features reflections on the Beatitudes by Pope Francis. Receive a daily scripture reading, the Pope’s reflection and prayer for personal meditation; share your insights and read comments from other participants on our retreat blog. Information at 319-233-0498 and online at https://waterloocatholics.org/online-lenten-retreat
Register online at: http://bit.do/online-lent-retreat-20

Learn More
More information about opportunities for adults is available online at: waterloocatholics.org/bulletin-board

Community News

**LENTEN FISH FRY**
St. Edward Church will serve an All-You-Can-Eat Fish Fry on Friday, March 13 from 4:00–7:00 pm. Serving fried cod or fish tacos. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council #16881. Tickets available from the Knights or at the door. Proceeds to benefit St. Ed’s security enhancements.

**OMELET BREAKFAST**
The Knights of Columbus will serve an Omelet Breakfast on Sunday, March 15 from 8:00 am to 12Noon at St. Athanasius Church in Jesup. Proceeds donated to Jesup & Don Bosco scholarship funds and other projects.

**FRANCISCAN COMMON VENTURE SUMMER SERVICE PROGRAM**
has several upcoming opportunities to share your time and talent in service to others. Due dates for applying are fast approaching! For more information, or to apply, please contact Sr. Shell at 563-583-9786 or balekm@osfdbq.org or visit www.osfdbq.org/commonventure for a full listing.
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