

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 27, 2022



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

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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.

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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 gfpayer@gmail.com

Business Office

Mary Kase, Racheal Stepien, Sharon Chaplain
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8th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye?" - Lk 6:42a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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, February 28

1 Pt 1:3-9 Ps 111:1-2,5-6,9,10c Mk 10:17-27

OLQP 7:00 AM †Jerry Curran - Judy Curtin

Tuesday, March 1

1 Pt 1:10-16 Ps 98:1-4 Mk 10:28-31

STM 8:00 AM †Fr. George Norton - Bill & Shirley Reber

Wednesday, March 2 ASH WEDNESDAY

Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-6b,12-14,17 2 Cor 5:20-6:2 Mt 6:1-6,16-18

OLQP 7:00 AM †Stephen Karl - Paul & Robin Levy

7:00 PM †James Hart - Sharon & David Griffiths

STM 8:00 AM †Terry Dryer

12:15 PM People of the Parish

Thursday, March 3 St. Katharine Drexel, virgin

Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-4,6 Lk 9:22-25

STM 8:00 AM †James Hart - Anne & Gerry Shanahan

Friday, March 4 St. Casimir

Is 58:1-9a Ps 51:3-6b,18-19 Mt 9:14-15

STM 8:00 AM †Terry Dryer

Saturday, March 5

Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-6 Lk 5:27-32

OLQP 4:30 PM †John Hammele - Peggy Schnurr Ansaldi

STM 4:30 PM †John Charles Lawrence - Ruth A. Lawrence, MD

Sunday, March 6 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Dt 26:4-10 Ps 91:1-2,10-15 Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13

OLQP 9:00 AM †Kathryn Griffiths - Family

STM 11:00 AM †Philomena Colucci - Sue Whealen



Sanctuary Lamp Intention this week at OLQP is in Memory of: Donald Coleman



Prayers Requested:

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

Colterman, Bud Cottier, Michael DeFranco, Gary Feldman, Betsie Heffeman, 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, Tom & Kathleen Sullivan, Barb Tindale, and Phillippa Wilson.

Please Join Us for Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent.

There are two options:

St. Thomas More - 8:30am

Our Lady Queen of Peace - 10:00am
and Adoration following.



There is something within us which resists admitting our sins. A recent book by Peter Fritzsche asserts that many Germans complicit with the evils of the Nazi regime simply bypassed contrition in favor of speaking only of the great suffering which all the German people endured because of World War II. Some suspect that this same resistance to contrition is behind the debate going on in the United States at present about how our schools ought to teach our kids about slavery, the causes of the Civil War, the failures of Reconstruction and the century of "Jim Crow laws." Parents across the country are petitioning school boards to modify curricula lest their children be traumatized by what they call inappropriate material. As one mother put it: "To say that there were slaves is one thing but to talk in detail about how slaves were treated, and with photos, is another."

But how can we teach the history of the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution which, when ratified in 1865, abolished slavery completely in our country, without also talking about bold southern resistance? Shouldn't our children know that Mississippi immediately enacted a "Black Code," which denied former slaves citizenship, greatly restricting African American rights to keep them in an inferior position? This Code was so restrictive that it even prevented the former slaves from leaving their jobs on the plantations? Shouldn't our children also know that the former slave owners lived in fear of reprisals against them for their former treatment of slaves since there were only 350,000 white people living in Mississippi at the time but 430,000 freed slaves?

Shouldn't our children know that when all the former Confederate states passed similar Black Codes, Congress reacted by passing the 14th Amendment which, when ratified 1868, declared "all persons born or naturalized in the United States...are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside?"

Shouldn't our children know that the former Confederate States used every means possible to block the voting rights of their former slaves lest they themselves lose power? In response, Congress passed the 15th Amendment which, when ratified in 1870, stipulated that "the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or any State on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude." Despite the clear language and intent of the amendment, the southern States began changing their state constitutions to enact "legal" measures such as poll taxes, literacy tests, all-white primaries, felony disenfranchisement laws and grandfather clauses to reduce the number of African Americans voting and winning elections. Where such "legal" measures proved insufficient, the Klu Klux Klan (an informal secret white supremacist society founded in 1866) used fraud, intimidation, arson and murder to disenfranchise not only African Americans but Republicans, white sympathizers, Jews, Roman Catholics and immigrants as well. Shouldn't our children know that when Ulysses S. Grant, the hero of the Civil War, was running for president in 1868, the KKK was conducting a reign of terror across the south to prevent his election?

Shouldn't our children know that, to combat the influence of the KKK, Congress in 1870 and 1871 passed successive laws making it a federal crime to deprive a citizen of political rights by interfering with the right to vote? Likewise, Congress outlawed the wearing of disguises, forming conspiracies and intimidating

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government officials to suppress the vote. Nevertheless, the KKK continued to force Republican sympathizers and African Americans from office, frightened voters from the polls and even destroyed successful African American businesses and, in some instances, whole towns.

Shouldn't our children know that once Reconstruction ended in 1877, with the withdrawal of Federal troops and the end of the Federal Government's control of the former Confederate states, one southern legislature after another, without restraint, instituted what are called "Jim Crow laws" (a derogatory term for African Americans?) These draconian measures established a system of legalized racial segregation to further marginalize African Americans. They not only made marriage between Blacks and Whites illegal, they decreed that Blacks and Whites must have separate places to live, separate restaurants in which to dine, separate public rest rooms, separate parks, separate train cars and waiting rooms, separate theaters and hotels, and separate "but equal" schools. Shouldn't our children know that these laws continued to be enforced until the 1950s/1960s with the rise of the Civil Rights Movement and continue to have repercussions in the African American community today?

While it might be convenient to blame 19th and 20th century peoples and institutions for their unjust treatment of freed slaves, it leaves us off the hook. Like so many others protesting at school board meetings, we would love to be free from all responsibility of the sins of the past and would love for them to just go away...and certainly not involve our children. But personally and corporately we do share some blame because we have inherited the prosperity wrought by these slaves and underpaid freed men and women. Our area bears a responsibility for allowing Eastman Kodak to discriminate in hiring, the Town of Brighton to allow discrimination in housing, the Diocese of Rochester to refuse African American candidates to the priesthood.

Moreover, if we refuse to teach history to our children, we will continue to misunderstand the centuries-old anger behind the "Black Lives Matter" campaign and the public demonstrations around the killing of innocent African Americans by police, vigilantes, and white supremacists. We suppress our history to our own peril.

Peace to all,
Fr. Hart

Lector assignments for next weekend 3/5-6

OLQP 4:30 - Caroline Thirukumaran
9:00 - Mary Attridge
STM 4:30 - Annette Bailey
11:00 - Mary Scardetta

Nursing Homes for next weekend:

Highlands: TBD

Friendly Home: Sue Bayer, Eric Klaus,
Susan Stutzman

Ash Wednesday is March 2



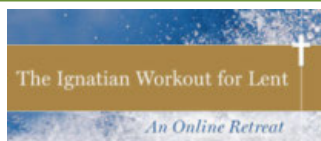
Our Mass schedule will be as follows: OLQP 7:00am & 7:00pm
STM 8:00 am & 12:15pm

We will have distribution of ashes at each of these Masses. We will be following procedure for distribution of ashes that is in keeping with the current health regulations. The (7:00am Mass) will be livestreamed and can be viewed on our website - olqpstm.com.

SOUP SATURDAY (now prepared on Fridays!)

March 4 12:00N

Please bring in your baked goods to OLQP next weekend. We will be collecting monetary donations for the vegetables and meat needed to make the soup that goes to St. Peter's Kitchen and Blessed Sacrament Supper Program. Look for the soup pan at the church entrances. Your generosity for this outreach is greatly appreciated by all of those who will benefit from a good meal during these winter months. Thanks to all who have donated their time for this worthy project.



Tim Muldoon writes that, "Life in Christ demands the same kind of vigilance, preparation, and training that a person undertakes

as an athlete."

This Lent, become a spiritual athlete and join Tim for **The Ignatian Workout for Lent**. Each Monday he'll share audio reflections accompanied by suggestions for prayer and action. Based on the book of the same name, the online retreat begins the week of Ash Wednesday and continues through Easter Week.

<https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/lent/the-ignatian-workout-for-lent-an-online-retreat/>



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Goal - \$68,776.00
\$52,925.00 as of 2/22
76.95% of goal 144 Donors



Save the Dates

Lenten Retreat

March 9, 16, 23
7:00-8:15

More information to follow

WEEKLY CALENDAR

	Monday February 28	Tuesday March 1	Wednesday March 2	Thursday March 3	Friday March 4	Saturday March 5	Sunday March 6
AT OLQP			Knit/Crochet Group 9:00-11:00am	Synod Listening Session 7:00pm	Stations of the Cross 10:00am and Adoration Soup "Saturday" 12:00N		RCIA Rite of Dismissal & Sending 9:00 Mass Choir Rehearsal 10:15am Grade 8 FF 6:30pm
AT STM	Outreach Cmte. Sorting 3:30pm				Stations of the Cross 8:30am		Choir Rehearsal 9:30am

Readings for the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading Sir 27:4-7

When a sieve is shaken, the husks appear; so do one's faults when one speaks. As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace, so in tribulation is the test of the just. The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had; so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he speaks, for it is then that people are tested.

The Word of the Lord**Responsorial Psalm Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16**

R Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praise to your name, Most High,
To proclaim your kindness at dawn and your faithfulness throughout the night.

R Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

The just one shall flourish like the palm tree, like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.
They that are planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.

R Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

They shall bear fruit even in old age; vigorous and sturdy shall they be,
Declaring how just is the LORD, my rock, in whom there is no wrong.

R Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Brothers and sisters: When this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about:

Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. **Word of the Lord**

Gospel Luke 6:39-45

Jesus told his disciples a parable, "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher. Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye?

You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye.

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." **Gospel of the Lord**

**LENT IS COMING!**

Join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from church entrances beginning on Ash Wednesday. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on global hunger and take action to help our sisters and brothers impacted by this injustice. Visit crsricebowl.org.

Second Collection - Next Weekend**Black, Native American & Hispanic Missions**

The Black and Indian Mission Collection exists to help local African American and Native American Diocesan Communities throughout the United States spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and respond to real and pressing needs on the ground. Thanks for your generosity.

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(LUKE 6:43)

Corner Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.

Sacrificial Giving as of February 22

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.....\$3,435.00
Regular Collections Year-To-Date.....\$179,117.62
Weekend Attendance.....173

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

Last Week's Regular Collections.....\$8,939.00
Regular Collections Year-To-Date.....\$186,653.27
Weekend Attendance.....191

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..

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