

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 17, 2022



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

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Office Hours
OLQP T, & Th 8:00-11:00
STM M & W 8:00-11:00

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

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

Saturdays at 3:30 pm before evening Mass at both OLQP & STM. Also, by appointment, please 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 gfpayer@gmail.com

Business Office

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585-450-2999

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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, April 18 MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 2:14,22-33 Ps 16:1-2a,5,7-11 Mt 28:8-15

OLQP 7:00 AM †Mary Ann Nichols - Chris Bonanni

Tuesday, April 19 TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 2:36-41 Ps 33:4-5,18-20,22 Jn 20:11-18

STM 8:00 AM †Virginia & Fred Wolff - Family

2:00PM Jewish Home Mass

Wednesday, April 20 WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 3:1-10 Ps 105:1-4,6-9 Lk 24:13-35

OLQP 7:00 AM †John Gadziala - Family

Thursday, April 21 THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 3:11-26 Ps 8:2ab,5-9 Lk 24:35-48

STM 8:00 AM People of the Parish

Friday, April 22 FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 4:1-12 Ps 118:1-2,4,22-27a Jn 21:1-14

STM 8:00 AM †Richard Woodson, Dorothy Teall & Gregory Teall - Family

Saturday, April 23 SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Acts 4:13-21 Ps 118:1,14-15b,16-21 Mk 16:9-15

OLQP 4:30 PM †John Hammele - Ann Wiater

STM 4:30 PM †Celine Nebbia - Richard & MaryAnn Loiacano

Sunday, April 24 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Acts 5:12-16 Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24 Rv 1:9-11a,12-13 17-19

Jn 20:19-31

OLQP 9:00 AM †Joseph Brigandi - Vitamarie Trincali

STM 11:00 AM †Joe Bailey - Carolyn Bailey



Sanctuary Lamp Intention this week at OLQP is in Memory of: Edward Rodricks



Prayers Requested:

Please pray for the individuals who have requested our prayers: Patrick Brennan, Mary Bush, Mary Jean Castellano, Roger Ciccarelli, Bud Cottier,

Mavis Coward, 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, Ellen Pemaselli, Daniel Ploppert, Marion Robinson, Tom & Kathleen Sullivan, Barb Tindale, and Phillipa Wilson.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

1st - Megan Henry & Charles Henry Stuart



An empty tomb is what confronted Mary of Magdala on that first day of the week early in the morning on the third day. It's the empty tomb that confronts us once again today.

In the Gospel for Easter Sunday, we hear that Mary of Magdala ran to Simon Peter and the other disciples and said, "they have taken the Lord from the tomb, and I don't know where they put him." Imagine the inner struggle, the disorientation, fear, and confusion upon seeing an empty tomb. Imagine what it must have been like to walk with Jesus, to hear him teach, to see him forgive and heal and experience the fullness of his presence, and be filled with hope, and then, to lose everything – to peer into a small dark hole and see nothing.

One of the commentators of this Sunday's readings focused their attention on the nothingness of seeing an empty tomb but noted, "nothing is, in its essence, fertile ground. Nothing is the place where something begins. In fact, if we take Genesis seriously, nothing is the condition from which everything that exists sprang into being. The spirit of God breathes over the void, and light illuminates the darkness, and life itself yawns, stretches, and moves."

Today, we stand in a privileged place, for we know the consequences of that great event and profess it weekly in the creed: the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. So, we celebrate this great day, for Easter transforms nothing into everything. In this sense, it's a genesis event, as open to possibility as the first creation was. Easter translates emptiness into fullness, death into unending life, despair into boundless hope.

But this event also presents a challenge, for emptiness, like the empty tomb, still exists and dwells in the human heart. Nothingness is experienced in broken relationships, in unrealized dreams, in the hearts of those struggling with depression and those whose life is soon to end. It's in the hearts of the lonely and abandoned, neglected, or abused, in those who battle with addiction and those who grieve and feel unloved. This list can go on and on. The fact remains, sooner or later each of us will stand before an empty tomb, peer inside and enter.

When Simon Peter and the other disciple entered the empty tomb, scripture tells us, they "saw and believed" even though "they did not yet understand." When we stand in the presence of nothingness, along the borders and limitations of our humanity, we stand with the disciples in the mouth of nothing, and, like them, we have to determine what is it that we really believe. In essence, this means that we are being challenged to go down to the empty places in our lives and in our hearts and seek and find the Risen Lord there. If we don't find him there, then it's time for us to walk with Jesus, hear his teaching, feel the healing and embrace of his forgiveness in the darkest aspect of our lives where nothing seems to live and to trust and rely on faith, and faith alone.

When Easter morning lives in us, we can gaze fearlessly into the places in this world that seem to be inhabited by nothing. We can perceive the spirit of God already breathing on that void, and we can be filled with hope for we are an Alleluia people and Alleluia is our song! Live with joy, live with hope, for Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

Peace and blessings, Margaret

Socks and Underwear Collection

Thanks to all who donated socks and underwear to our recent collection. Two of the agencies receiving these items include the Catholic Charities Community Clothing Center located in Wolcott, NY and Angels of Mercy located on Winton Road. The Wolcott Clothing Center is set up as a clothing store where area residents are referred for an appointment and are able to shop free of charge. In addition to helping human trafficking victims here and internationally, the Angels of Mercy operates the local Butterfly Boutique which helps women who are re-entering the workforce by providing suitable work clothing at no cost. These agencies exist to provide our sisters and brothers the most basic need of clothing. Know that your generous donation makes their mission possible.

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Alleluia, Christ is risen! What a glorious and holy day. The resurrection of Christ speaks of freedom, new life, restored faith and enduring, unconditional love. The huge stone, separating death and life, has been moved, allowing God's radiant power to usher in eternal life. When we see the truth of Christ's resurrection through eyes of love, we see the fullness of timeless beauty, truth, and wonder revealed. The emptiness of the tomb is filled with the eternity of love. We have many stones and boulders blocking the path to freedom, love, and joy. They are often too big for us to move, and they cripple us. We can take a leap of faith today and believe with all our heart, mind, and soul that there is much more than can be seen by the naked eye. There is something very holy, sacred, and eternal stirring within us. We want to live forever! Christ's resurrection brings us joy and allows us to see ourselves as we are meant to be seen, as God's children destined for glory!

Lector assignments for next weekend 4/23-24

OLQP 4:30 - Sheila Dalzell 9:00 - John Winter
STM 4:30 - Bud Foos 11:00 - Anne Wolff

Nursing Home Ministry for next weekend

Friendly Home - John Marszalek, Brendan McCarthy,
Bill Shelly

The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano will preside at a Wedding Anniversary Mass to honor married couples at

Sacred Heart Cathedral
Sunday May 8, 2022
2:00 PM



All married couples and their families are welcome to attend and renew their vows with Bishop Matano. Those celebrating milestone jubilees will be given special recognition.

Please register at: <http://conta.cc/3IDXmKu>
or by emailing donald.smith@dor.org

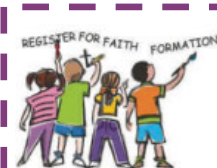
If you would like your name and anniversary (25, 50 and above) to be included in the Marriage Anniversaries section of the Catholic Courier's June print edition, please send an email or a letter with the following information:

Names, Church and Town where you were married,
wedding date/year, and photo (optional)
Submissions are due by April 30

Email: newsroom@CatholicCourier.com

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Don't forget to turn in your Rice Bowls - bring to either church office or leave in church entrance.



Registration for K-12 Faith Formation will be available soon.

Information regarding registration is available in the weekly newsletter from Jennifer. If you are not receiving this newsletter please let Jen know. We want to be sure that all families receive this information.

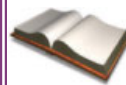
Contact Jen at jennifer.abdalla@dor.org

May Crowning Schedule for Saturday May 14, 2022

The Faith Formation program is hosting a May Crowning at all four Brighton Regional parishes on **Saturday, May 14th from 1:00pm - 3:30pm**. We are inviting all parishioners who wish to join us to attend any or all of the Crowning services as we honor Mary, the Mother of God and ask for her intercession for Peace in our Families and in our World. A decade of the Rosary will be said at each site along with the crowning of the Marian statues at each parish. Please join us!



1:00pm-1:30pm St. Anne
1:45pm-2:15pm Our Lady Queen of Peace
2:30pm-3:00pm- Our Lady of Lourdes
3:00pm-3:30pm-St. Thomas More
A brief reception will follow at St. Thomas More



Mother's Day Memorial Book


Please be sure to stop at the entrance to each church next weekend to write down your mothers or other women who are/were special in your lives. These books will be presented at Masses for Mother's Day.



Altar flowers at STM

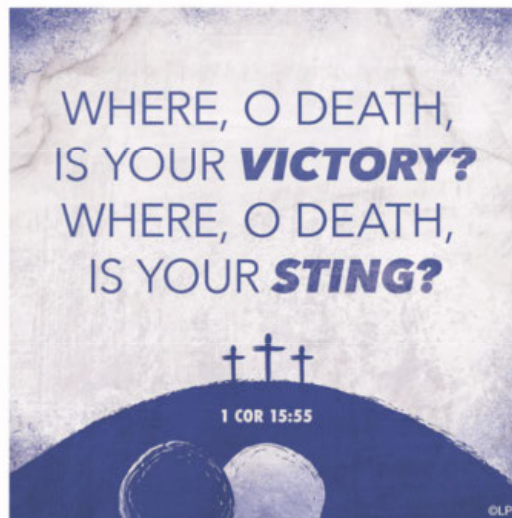
There are still some weekends available at St. Thomas More and Our Lady Queen of Peace between now and July to provide flowers to adorn the altars after the Easter flowers have passed their prime. This is for anyone who would care to arrange their own or purchase from a florist to be delivered to the church after 3:30pm on Saturday in memory of a loved one or for a special occasion (wedding, anniversary, etc.) The sign up sheet is on the table at the entrance in the back of church. Thank you.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

	Monday April 18	Tuesday April 19	Wednesday April 20	Thursday April 21	Friday April 22	Saturday April 23	Sunday April 24
AT OLQP			Knit/Crochet Group 9:00-11:00am Handbell Rehearsal 7:00pm			<div>SUPERMARKET WEEKEND</div>	
AT STM			Staff Meeting 10:00am				
						Choir Rehearsal 9:30 am	

WHAT ARE THE "FRUITS" OF HOLY COMMUNION?

The Eucharist, like all sacraments, offers its own unique grace. We receive a special share in God's life that helps us in our faith journey. We are given all we need to sustain and nurture our relationship with God. The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. Everything we are and everything we hope to become is found in this sacrament. It is essential to the life of the church, to each member of the church. Without it, there is no church. The Eucharist is the center of our spiritual life and has enormous effects



on our growth, our holiness, and our way of life. The fruits of holy Communion are the benefits one receives from the sacrament. These fruits of holy Communion are discussed in the catechism in the article on the Eucharist. The primary benefit is union with Christ. We become one with

him sacramentally, just as we hope to become one with him for eternity. The Eucharist also separates us from sin, both past and future. It forgives the venial sins of the past and, by the love we receive, protects us from mortal sin in the future. The church community is also unified and strengthened by the Eucharist. It unites us to the poor and offers the pledge of eternal life.



Blessed Sacrament's Annual **Next-to-New Sale** is back!
Monroe Ave at Oxford St.

Tuesday May 3 3:00pm-6:00pm (\$10 entry fee)

Thursday & Friday May 5 & 6 9:00am-7:00pm

Saturday May 7 9:00am - 1:00pm



Shop for clothing - all sized for men, women & children - shoes, furniture, lamps, linens, books, music, movies, kitchen & dining items, electronics, small appliances, luggage & totes, holiday décor & cards, hardware, tools, vacuum cleaners, garden, toys & games, art & frames, office & craft supplies, vases & floral, sundries, photographic equipment, jewelry and treasures at the Boutique

Donations accepted: Monday through Friday April 18-27 - 10:00-6:00 (weekdays), 10:00-4:00 (weekends)

Please: All items clean and functional. Flat screen TV's & monitors only. Laptops & peripherals with all cords & adaptors. **NO desktop computers, large appliances or sofas, encyclopedias VHS tapes or wedding dresses.**

Supermarket Weekend - next weekend,

April 23-24 (last full weekend in April)

Please bring in your non-perishable food items to either worship site.

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Corner "...He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. (ACTS 10:38)

We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, "we are made for greatness." Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

Due to early submission for bulletin publication the Sacrificial Giving amounts are unavailable this week.

You can go to our website at olqpsm.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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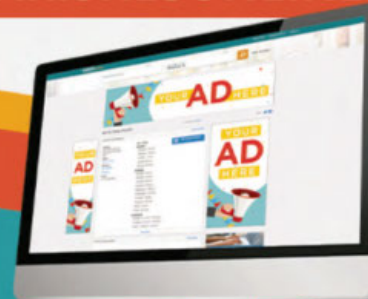
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