

*Welcome to Our Lady Queen of Peace Church
2nd Sunday of Advent Journeysongs #863*



Grateful



A Night at the Races - January 12th

Saturday, January 12th, A Night at the Races will be held OLQP Father McCawley Hall with doors opening at 5 p.m. The \$10 entrance fee includes: good food, a program of the ten races showing sponsors and horse names, plus a chance on some wonderful door prizes. Entrance tickets and Horse sponsors and owners can be purchased through Tom Whitehead (570-646-8174). There will be ten races with ten horses in each race.

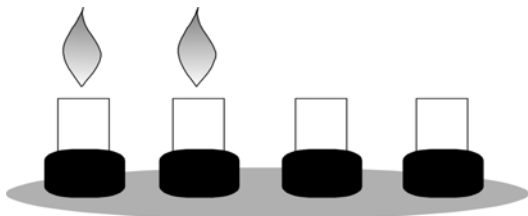
Cash prizes are awarding to the winning sponsor and winning owner. In addition horse number selection wagers will award those winners cash prizes. This is an adult only BYOB event and everyone has a relaxing fun evening that benefits KofC Council 7141 scholarships and charities.

K of C Council 7141 - 2019 Scholarship Applications

Our Knights of Columbus council #7141 are making a \$1000 scholarship, to one graduating student this Spring, available. You must be a registered member of Our Lady Queen of Peace for at least one year to apply. A complete list of requirements is listed on the application. Applications are available by contacting Tom Whitehead at 570-646-8174. The deadline for filing your completed application is April 1, 2019.

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Scholarship

The sponsoring assemblies, located in Monroe County in an effort to render financial assistance to young Catholic men and women with their first year of college or university tuition will award 2 \$1000 scholarships in the forthcoming year. Applications are available at the church office and need to be post-marked no later than February 15, 2019.



March for Life – Friday, January 18, 2019 - Bus

K of C Council 7141 will, once again, be sponsoring a bus to take part in the March for Life in Washington, D. C. on Friday, January 18th. Our bus will depart from OLQP church parking lot promptly at 6 a.m. It is a 55-passenger full service bus. We will make a coffee break stop on the way down. We will pray the rosary for an end to abortions in our nation on the bus. Our arrival time in Washington will be about half hour prior to the start of the noontime rally. This year's rally is anticipated to be the largest with buses and Pro-Lifers from all over our nation in attendance. After the rally and march we will gather together at a specified location and meet our bus to depart no later than 3:30 p.m. Included in the \$25 cost for the trip is a buffet dinner in Maryland before arriving back home at approximately 9:30 p.m. Reservations and any additional information are available from John Blundetto. Please call John at 570 807-7973 johnablundetto@hotmail.com. We are expecting a full bus departing from our parish, you are advised to make your reservation(s) early as possible.



Youth Ministry

- *Teens of Peace (High School) Tuesdays 7-8:30 "Christmas Lights"*
- *Living 4:12 (7th and 8th Grade) Wednesdays 6-7:15 Christmas Caroling*

For More Information please contact Dori Hurley at ext 126

Mass Intentions

The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition. In our Catholic Parish, there are many requests for scheduling such Mass intentions. As a way to allow as many parishioners and friends as possible to schedule Masses, the following policies are put forth:

We only have a certain number of available Masses so we have to limit them to (2) two Mass Intentions per person living or deceased. Additional Mass Intentions for that person are not guaranteed to be said here at QOP. In order for the Intentions to be said in a timely manner, the additional Mass Intentions may be sent to the Retired Priests in Dunmore or to our Diocesan Mission priests to celebrate these Masses. This is an excellent way to support missionary priests, who often serve in difficult conditions. Intentions can also be held at a Mass Father Mike celebrates somewhere in the community, such as Brookmont, Pleasant Valley Manor, Getz Personal Care Home or Mrs. Bush's. The Mass Card will let the recipient know that a Mass will be said in memory of their loved one. The stipend is \$10 per Mass. The schedule of Mass intentions is subject to change according to the Mass schedule and there is no promise that the Mass will be said on the scheduled day due to priest illness, schedule change, vacations, etc. Attempt will be made to contact the concerned parties ahead of time, but that is not always possible. Thank you for understanding.



Las Posadas Rehearsal: Saturday December 15th in the Atrium at 9:30am. We have costumes available and are still in need of readers!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Eucharistic Adoration

Join us for Adoration offered every Friday after the 8am Mass until 7pm. Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm
Evening Prayer at 6:30pm followed by Benediction.

24 Hour Adoration is offered the 1st Friday of every month.

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Friday Holiday Art Classes with Jean Perry 6:30-8:30 or so

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"Starry Night"

Acrylic on canvas

Classes are in the café. Cost is \$12 for supplies

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Please contact Jean at jgmobeel@ptd.net



Altar and Rosary Meeting:

Our meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 12th will begin at 5pm in the Café.

(Please note the time change)

If attending, bring a wrapped gift.

Merry Christmas!

CSS Suppers:

12/9 & 12/16

3-4pm

Community Lunch:

Wednesday,

12/19

12:30pm



Senior Lunch after 12:10 Mass the 2nd Monday of the month.

West End Mission Meals will be offered the 2nd and 4th Thursday from 4:30-5:30 until January 2019

What's Happening This Week

Monday: Flame of Love 10:30, Mass at 12:10pm, Senior Lunch after Mass, Religious Ed 6-7:30pm, Jr Choir & Contemporary Ensemble practice 6:45-9pm, Confession: at Our Lady of Victory 7pm, Finance Council Meeting 7:30pm

Tuesday: 8am Mass, Youth Group 7-8:30, Social Justice 7pm

Wednesday: 8am Mass, 9am Scripture Study, Al Anon at Noon, Youth Group 6-7:15. Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Service 7pm.

Thursday: 8am Mass, West End Mission Meal 4:30pm, Senior Choir 7-9pm, Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30pm

Friday: 8am Mass, Adoration beginning after Mass, Little Flowers in the Café 4:15-5:45, Art Class 7pm

Saturday: 8am Communion Service, First Penance Noon, Confessions 3:00-3:45pm, 4pm Mass

Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent, 8am & 11am Mass, Religious Ed, 9-10:30am, Spanish Mass 1pm, Community Sunday Supper 3-4pm.

Greeter Schedule for December 15 & 16

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5pm
Dottie Sawyer
Andy Stier
Robin Stier
Carollee Brue

8am
Bonnie Yost
Nancy Manento
Cathy Sweeney

11am
Gerri Donaghy
Fred & Cecilia Weiman
Dawn & Mario DiMaria

Every donation counts!!

*If you have not yet pledged, please...
Help us reach our Annual Appeal Parish Goal!*

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We are grateful to the 171 parishioners who supported the 2018 Annual Appeal to date.

If you have not yet given your support, please:

- Call the Development Office at 570-207-2250 to make a pledge or give a gift by credit card
- Mail a check to the Diocesan Appeal Office at 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503, or
- Give online at www.DiocesefofScranton.org.

Our parish is reimbursed 75% for any gifts made to the Appeal in excess of our Appeal goal.

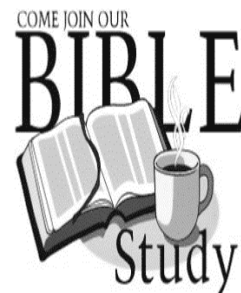


Oplatek Christmas Wafers

The significance of the Oplatki Christmas wafer is in that it shadows the Eucharistic meal that Catholics participate in at each Mass. Just as we share in the Eucharist as one family in Christ and receive Christ's love through the Eucharist, the Oplatki allows for one's immediate family to come together and share the love they have for one another. This symbolism is deepened by the fact that the name of the town where Jesus Christ was born, Bethlehem, means "House of Bread," which makes the Oplatki tradition an especially beautiful way to celebrate the charity and unity so characteristic of the Christmas season. ***They will be available December 15 & 16 and 22 & 23 in the Atrium after Mass and at the office during the week. The Suggested donation is \$2***

Adult Scripture Class resumes on Wednesdays at 9:00 A.M. in the Cafe.

Come join us for a study of the upcoming weekly Sunday readings. Just in time for the First Sunday of Advent, Year C, the Year of St. Luke. Start off the new liturgical year right!



Advent 2018



Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Service:

Wednesday, December 12th at 7pm

The feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe may be one of the most important feast days of the year. On October 12, 1945, Pope Pius XII, decreed Our Lady of Guadalupe to be "Patroness of all the Americas." Consider joining us for this special prayer service.

Las Posadas: Journey to the Inn

Wednesday, December 19th at 6pm

Each year, we, along with millions of people around the world, retrace the steps of Mary and Joseph in search of a room at the inn. Join us as we commemorate the journey that Joseph and Mary made from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of a safe refuge where Mary could give birth to the baby Jesus.

A Home for Haiti

Join us again as we build a home for Haiti for Christmas. It costs about \$6,000 to put a family in a sturdy, four-room concrete house with a solid cement foundation and strong galvanized steel roof. Please be a part of this Advent miracle by donating what you can.

— Families that receive a new home like this will experience a tangible manifestation of Christ's love through his Church. Your gift will last for generations! **Place donations in the house in front of the Baptismal Font.**

Advent Penance Services

The Advent Penance Service is a special opportunity for us to prepare the manger of our hearts for Jesus' birth with the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Several priests will be available to hear confessions.

Most Holy Trinity/St. Maximillian Kolbe (At MHT)	Sunday, December 9th at 2pm
Our Lady of Victory	Monday, December 10th at 7pm
St. Luke	Friday, December 14th at 7pm
Queen of Peace	Monday, December 17th at 6pm
St. John	Wednesday, December 19th at 7pm

"We are a Sunday People renewed in Christ, gifted and sent."

Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor:

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement.

If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations.

To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (570-862-7551) or to the Vicar General at (570-207-2269).



Marriage Retreat
March 30-31
The Villa of Our Lady
More details to follow.

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to today's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous.



Church Cleaner Schedule 12/15 E. Glowacki, S. Haslach, C. Martin, D. Hicks

If you are interested in being a church cleaner, please contact Diane at 570 629 4185



Bereavement Group

The Bereavement Support Group at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church meets **after the 11am Mass in the Café.** **Next meetings are**

December 16th, 30th

For more information, please contact the Office 610 681-6137.

Let It Begin With Me Are you affected by someone else's drinking? We welcome all to receive confidential support by attending our AL Anon meeting. **We meet in the Café every Wednesday at 12 Noon** Any questions call Cynthia 570-982-4590.

Flame of Love Prayer Group at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church

This Prayer Group will meet in the Café every Monday from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Come join us. Jesus said "Through this prayer, Satan will be blind and souls will not be led into sin." www.flameoflove.us



Prayer Shawl Ministry:

All are welcome to join us in the Teen Room the 2nd Saturday of each month from 10-12 as we pray and create Prayer shawls that are given to grieving families.

Heart to Heart This ministry connects with the families of those who have died in the parish through phone calls. We also help plan 2 Masses of Remembrance each year. We discontinue our meetings during the Winter Months, but we will still make contact with these families by phone. For more info or if you would like to help out: Contact Joanne at 570 242 5152

BAMBINELLI
SUNDAY –
BLESSING OF CHRIST
CHILD
All Masses on
December 15th and
16th



Saint John Paul II instituted the celebration of “Bambinelli Sunday” on the Third Sunday of Advent – the day on which the children of Rome may bring their Christ Child figures from their family crèches to St. Peter’s Square for a special blessing. For over thirty years, following the Sunday Angelus address, the Holy Father has blessed the Christ Child figures which the children then take back to homes, hiding them until they could place these figurines in the family Christmas cribs on Christmas morning.

Children are invited to bring along their ‘Baby Jesus’ Crib Figure for a Special Blessing at all Masses on December 15th and 16th. They will then take them back home in preparation for placing them in the Crib on Christmas.



Men’s Group Meeting:

All men 18 and over are welcome to join us on December 12th at 7pm for Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Service and on December 19th at 6pm for Las Posadas.

St. Max Cookbook is back by popular demand!
“Flavor to the Max-A Second Helping”

In anticipation of our 2019 Year of Celebration of the 10th Anniversary of St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish a second printing of their original cookbook is underway. Should be available for pick up in December. For more information contact Mary at 570 234 6646 or Lynnette at 570 242 6165

How do I get my baby baptized at Queen of Peace?

Parents will fill out a baptism registration form (supplied by the office). If you are not registered here and do not live in this area, we will need a letter of permission from your parish to have your child baptized here. New parents and Godparents are asked to attend a Baptism Instruction Class. (Offered the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6pm in the Cafe) This is a one time class. It will not be a requirement for subsequent children being baptized. At least one Godparent will need to obtain a sponsor letter from their parish. The requirements for a sponsor are:

Must be a practicing Catholic, at least 16, have made all of their sacraments and if they are married, they were married in the Catholic Church. If the other Godparent is not Catholic but is Christian, they can be a Christian Witness to the Baptism.

Once all the above is complete, please call the office to schedule your baby’s baptism. Baptisms are done on Saturdays, outside of Mass, at 10:30am and one Sunday a month during Mass.

How do I get married at Our Lady Queen of Peace?

Visit our website qopchurch.org and click on **Resources** to get information needed to have your wedding here.

If my loved one is sick, how can they receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick?

Please call the office, if the person is ambulatory he/she can set up a time to meet with Father in the church. If not, Father will come to them at home, in the hospital or nursing home. For further information on all of the above, please contact the office.

Can I have someone bring me Communion if I can’t get to Mass due to a prolonged illness?

Father Mike, our Deacons and Extraordinary Ministers are available to bring communion to the homebound, those in nursing homes or assisted living facilities. To request a visit, please contact the Church Office at 610 681-6137.



Virtus Training
 Tuesday, January 15th
 6-9pm Call the Office to register.

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The Altar and Rosary Society would like to invite the women of our parish to our annual Christmas Dinner

Date Sunday January 6, 2019

Time 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Place Boulder View Restaurant
Lake Harmony, Pa.

Cost \$25.00 per person includes
soup, salad

Entrée, dessert, coffee, tea and soft drinks
Cash bar available

Entrée choices: Chicken Parmigiana
Braised Short Ribs
Eggplant Rotini
Grilled Salmon

RSVP with payment by December 12, 2018
(can be dropped off at church office)
Questions call Fran 570-504-1703

The Giving Tree



Helping Those in Need

The Giving Tree is a unique program that involves the community in a direct way, allowing them to become personally involved by sharing with those less fortunate in our community. The program provides gifts of new clothing and toys to many local children, homebound seniors and babies at Shepherds Maternity House, who otherwise might not have anything for Christmas.

Children who are in need in our community will have paper angels along with the child's first name, age, and whether the gift is for a boy or a girl. The homebound seniors will have a special ornament for them and little pink and blue ornaments for the babies.

Please take an ornament, purchase the gift for that person, attach the tag on the unwrapped gift and put it under the tree in the Church in front of the Chapel by December 9th. Thank you!



1000 Hail Mary's Devotion First Saturdays in the Chapel after the 8am Communion Service until 12:30pm on **January 5**. Any amount of time you can spend will help with this devotion to the Blessed Mother. All are Welcome.

Stewardship of Prayer

Pray for our Military:

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 8
 4:00pm Eddie Milos
 Requested by M/M Cassarello

Sunday, December 9
 8:00am M/M Louis Romano
 Requested by Paul & Stephanie Romano
 11:00am Theresa Schaffer
 Requested by daughter
 1:00pm Souls in Purgatory
 Requested by Maria Giletto

Monday, December 10
 12:10pm Dec Mem of Gorczyca Family
 Requested by Veronica Gorczyca

Tuesday, December 11
 8:00am Pete & Dale Finneran
 Requested by Klabonski Family

Wednesday, December 12
 8:00am Silvano Mattei
 Requested by Mattei Family

Thursday, December 13
 8:00am Richard DiLonie
 Requested by Beck Family

Friday, December 14
 8:00am Joseph Reitano
 Requested by Altemose Family

Saturday, December 15
 8:00am Communion Service
 4:00pm Giuseppe & Salvatora Serio
 Requested by Maria Serio & family

Sunday, December 16
 8:00am Martin & Louisa Okolo
 Requested by Helen Okwuego
 11:00am Catherine & Polito
 Requested by Piccolo Family
 1:00pm Sp Int Juan & Yolanda Ramirez
 Requested by family

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass
 Monday: 12:10pm
followed by a Novena to Our Lady Queen of Peace
 Tuesday-Friday:
 8am
 Saturday: 8am
 Communion Service

Sunday Obligation Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4pm
 Sunday:
 8am & 11am
 1pm Spanish

7pm Regional Mass at St. Matthews in East Stroudsburg

Confessions
 Monday 6:30-7pm
 Saturday 3-3:45pm

SPC Jonathan Orozco MP
 SGT Joel Rogouski USAF
 Cpl Dominick Truglio
 LtCol Bronwyn Ruddy Stall
 Sgt Eric McCausland US Army
 SSGT Phillip J. Sever
 LtCom Greg Crosby
 SGT Stefan De Jesus
 Major Matthew DeSablo
 LTCol Stephen Pletchan US Army
 SPC ToniAnn Valdner M.P.
 LCpl Matthew Smith USMC
 Spc. Kevin R. Booth
 Major Matthew Meckes
 Andrew Larregui
 SSGT Gary M. Gassman
 Chelsea Lanigan P-2
 Joshua Reborchick US Army
 Lt Jonathan Galgoci USN
 SPC Jordan Walters
 1st Lt Alexander Walters
 SGT Dennis Stanhope Jr
 CPT Tim Carlin
 SSGT Christopher Rogouski USMC
 A1C Jacob James Harlan
 Sgt Caitlin Carter
 SPC Nicholas Garaguso US Army
 PO3 Nicholas Kolment
 LtCol Tanya Dear, Air Force
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 Chief Justin C. Melody
 LTJG Scott Douglas
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 Cory Kretzmer U.S. Army
 Michael Shea Airborne Ranger Army
 SGT Gavin McFetridge USMC
 Ensign James McFetridge USN
 CPT Ronald M. Shea Retired USMC
 PVT Sean P. Parente US Army
 Brendan Mitchell USMC
 Sgt Richard Keith Hahn USMC
 CPT Christopher Chenck-USMC
 PVT Justin Edwards
 PFC Marine Austin J. Clark
 Ranger Michael Lucchese US Army
 GySgt Thomas J. Howard Sr.
 Sgt Mark A. Bumbulsky
 Airman Anthony J. Bumbulsky
 Airman Howard Stevens

For those in need of Hope, Healing and Health:

Robert Jacob, Richard Domonkos, Eugene Santorufo, Monica Farrell, Robin DeVivio, Connie Rega, Nicole Ramsey, Michelle Roy, Ron Kraemer, Amy Kraemer, Marge Vitosky, Christine Dafcik, Grover Carson, Joseph Burke, Brian Meyers, Cheryl Morse, Joan Prekaza, Linda Jacobus, Cheryl Gonzalez, Mary Ann Triola, Victoria Guaracci, James Kelly, Frances Kelly, Gladys Guld, Steven Hill, Deborah Gehr, Joe Yarka, Susan Zieberski, Denise Zieberski, Kim Price, Stan Swiecicki, Russ Schwartz. **We will renew this list each month.**

Church Office is open
 Monday to Friday from
 9am to 4pm

Stewards of the Week



Thank you to Kathy Fisher and all those involved in organizing our Advent by Candlelight event.

Thank you to our wonderful Music Ministry for sharing their talent and music with our church family.

Your time and devotion truly blesses our church not only at Mass, but at special events like this!

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DAA 2018 Goal:	\$62,000.00
Total Raised:	\$40,500.00
Over (Under)	(\$21,500.00)
7.07% (171 out of 2,418 families)	Gave or Pledged



Habra misa en Español cada domingo- 1:00pm.

Todos invitados-Anuncien esto a sus amigos y otros feligreses de la parroquia. También invitamos a todos a nuestros grupos de oración 7pm el viernes.

Por favor únase a nosotros.

Nuestra Senora de la Paz Horario Para La Palabra De La Sagrada Escritura

Encargada de Los Lectores: María Díaz 570 972 4421

December 16 Janette White y Emalania de Jesus
 December 23 Maria Elena Yepes y Luisa

Funeral Masses: Prayer is one of the most powerful ways we can support others. Joining together in prayer for the living and the dead entrusts us all into God's care. As a parish family, we would like to extend an invitation to anyone who is willing and able to attend Funeral Masses held at Our Lady Queen of Peace as a show of support to our church family members who are suffering the loss of loved ones. With whatever amount of support you are able to give, you are exercising a corporal/spiritual work of mercy as part of the process of burying the dead. Some of our deceased have very little or no family members, so we can be their family in this difficult time. You can find Funeral Mass Times for our parish in the newspaper obituaries or on the individual websites for Gower and Kresge Funeral Homes. Thank you for keeping the deceased in your prayers and for any amount of support you can show to our parish family at Funeral Masses.

Our Christmas Cleaning will be Wednesday, December 19th at 9am. We will meet in the Church. Any amount of time you can give will be appreciated. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication to our parish.



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