



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Lady of Peace – February 15, 2026

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Parish Office Number: 304-242-6579 Business Hrs.: Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

Parish Office

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Tijo George
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Joining the Parish
New parishioners are
welcome! Go to Flocknote to
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Weekend Masses

- Saturday (Vigil): 5:00 pm
 - Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet, 4:00 pm
 - Confession, Rosary, Benediction
- Sunday Masses: 8:30 am, 10:30 am

Weekday Masses

- Monday: No Mass
- Tuesday: 6:00 pm
- Wednesday:
 - Adoration: 5:00 pm
 - Confession, Rosary, Benediction
 - Novena following Mass
- Thursday: 8:00 am
- Friday: 8:00 am (Summer)
- School Mass 8:30 a.m. (see bulletin)

Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance

- Saturdays: 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm
- Wednesdays: 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm
- By Appointment: 304-242-6575

Faith Formation

Coordinator: Meredith Wycherley
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Parish Music

Music Director: Shaun Hancher
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Important Numbers

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February 15, 2026 Year A



"However, as it is written: What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived. - the things God has prepared for those who love him— these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit." - 1 Corinth. 9-10

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents should contact Father George to make arrangements for celebration of this sacrament. A preparation session may be required for any first - time parents.

Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance

Celebrated on Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:45 pm; Wednesdays from 5:00 - 5:45 pm. Also make an appointment by calling the rectory.

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples should contact Fr. George at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Sacrament of Anointing the Sick

Individual reception of the sacrament can be arranged. Contact Fr. George if anticipating surgery to request this sacrament prior to entering the hospital.

Becoming Catholic OCIA

Any non-Catholic interested in becoming a Catholic Christian can contact the parish office for information regarding The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults.

Catholic School Education

Information regarding enrolling your child at Our Lady of Peace School, contact the school office at 304-242-1383.

Faith Formation

Classes meet every Sunday from 9:20 - 10:20 am from September to May. Registration in August.

Receive Bulletin (By Mail or E-mail)

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Last Week's Collection	Envelopes	Amount
Collections	95	\$3,992.00
PayPal Online Transfer	3	\$241.74
Memorial Contributions	2	\$200.00
Maintenance Reserve	2	\$65.00
Church Mission W/In US	30	\$501.00
Votive Candles	-	\$110.00
Infant of Prague Novena	-	\$67.00
TOTAL	132	\$5,176.74
ATTENDANCE	313	Thank you for your Generosity!

Date	Money Counters
Feb. 15	Geroge Hores and Tiffany Hoffman
Feb. 22	Stacy Rohmann, Marlene Evans & Tiffany Hoffman

Liturgical Ministers for next Weekend

- **Saturday (Vigil) - February 21**
 - 5:00 p.m.: Lo. Wycherley/ N. Weaver/ A. Mattern; Grade 4; L. Simon; J. Sander/ MJ Keim; Tatar
- **Sunday - February 22**
 - 8:30 a.m.: O. & B. Castle/ A. Glenn; L. Glenn; Becky D.; A. Castle/ C. Schane; Moses
 - 10:30 a.m.: A. Kurko/ C. Miller/ L. Wise; D. Gantzer; P. Gantzer; S. Wilson/T. Morando; S. Wilson

Liturgical Ministers for this Weekend

- Server, Reader, EMHC (Body), EMHC/EMHC (Blood)
- **Saturday (Vigil) - February 14**
 - 5:00 p.m.: L. Komorowski/ J. Hodgdon/ *svr; Peggy S; C. Yahn; B. Pack/H. Nikolaus; Campbell
 - **Sunday - February 15**
 - 8:30 a.m.: Lil Wycherely/T. & G. & N. White; K. Castle; R. Schneid; S. Thompson/T. Burke; Sechrest
 - 10:30 a.m.: Sp & St Benedict/ C. & E. Rogers; T. Morando; B. Kurko; P. Gantzr/P. Bach; Morando

Mass Date	Times	Mass Intentions	Readings
Saturday (Vigil), Feb. 14 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	(4:00 p.m.) 5:00 p.m.	(Adoration/Chaplet/Confession) Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace	Sirach 15:15-20 Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 Matthew 5:17-37
Sunday, Feb. 15 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	† Leslie Gaughan by Steve & Kathie Roth Family † Bob Gessler by family	
Monday, Feb. 16	No Mass	--	James 1:1-11 Psalm 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76 Mark 8:11-13
Tuesday, Feb. 17	No Mass	Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday)	James 1:12-18 Psalm 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19 Mark 8:14-21
Wednesday, Feb. 18 Ash Wednesday	8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	† Joseph Griffin by family † Mary Jean Brown by Rick & Adele Wilson Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace	Joel 2:12-18 Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday, Feb. 19	8:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	† Caroline Hackenberg by Tim Benson *First Reconciliation	Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Luke 9:22-25
Friday, Feb. 20	8:30 a.m.	† Helen & Alex Seeny by Becky Cox & Family	Isaiah 58:1-9a Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 Matthew 9:14-15
Saturday (Vigil), Feb. 21 First Sunday in Lent	(4:00 p.m.) 5:00 p.m.	(Adoration/Chaplet/Confession) Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace	Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19 Matthew 4:1-11
Sunday, Feb. 22 First Sunday in Lent	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	† Gertrude and Henry Roth by family † Mike Bee by Antionette Bee	



FAT TUESDAY CELEBRATION

POTLUCK DINNER
FEBRUARY 17
6:00-9:00pm
Peace Family Center
PARISH WILL SUPPLY ENTREES,
BEVERAGES AND DESSERT.
PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH.

Please be sure to RSVP by signing up or call Parish Office


Fish Fry starting Ash Wednesday (Feb. 18) and every Friday in Lent (except on Good Friday) from Fat-in/Drive-Thru: 3:00 pm-6:00pm

- Fish Sandwich
- Sides: Onions Rings, French Fries, Coleslaw, Cabbage & Noodles, and Mac & Cheese
- Drinks: Water, Pop, & Coffee
- Desserts Available for Purchase


Credit Cards Accepted!



Stations of the Cross begin February 20th and continue every Friday during Lent in the Church at 6:00 PM. Retrace the final journey of Christ to Calvary.



Infant of Prague Novena



The Novena on Monday, February 16 at 7:00pm.
Guest homilist: Deacon Paul Lim
The week's theme: "Childlike Faith: The Path of Renewal"

Reader: **Becky Cox**

Ash Wednesday
February 18th
Mass Times:
8:30 am (School Mass), 12:00 pm, 6:00 pm

First Reconciliation
February 19th

"Bless me Father, for I have sinned. This is my first confession." followed by listing their sins and concluding with "I am sorry for these and all my sins."



First Sunday in Lent!
February 21/22



Matthew 4:4 (or Luke 4:4): "One does not live by bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God"

Why do we observe Ash Wednesday?

Ash Wednesday (*dies cinerum*), is the Church's Yom Kippur or the "Day of Atonement." Its very name comes from the Jewish practice of doing penance wearing "sackcloth and ashes." The Old Testament tells us how the people of Nineveh, the Syrian King, Ben Hadad, and Queen Esther fasted wearing sackcloth and ashes. The priest dipping his thumb into ashes marks the forehead of each with the sign of the cross, saying the words, "Remember that you are dust and to dust you will return" or "Repent and believe in the Gospel."

The ashen cross gives us a firm conviction that a) we are mortal beings, b) our lifespan is very brief and unpredictable. It also gives us a strong warning that we will be eternally punished if we do not repent of our sins and do penance. Ash Wednesday reminds us that we need to purify and renew our lives during the period of Lent by repentance, which means expressing sorrow for sins by turning away from occasions of sins and going straight to God. We need to express our repentance by getting reconciled with God daily, by asking for forgiveness from those whom we have offended and by giving unconditional forgiveness to our neighbors who have offended us. It also challenges us to do prayerful fasting and little acts of penance for our sins, following the example of Jesus before his public ministry.

Why fasting, penance and prayer are recommended during Lent?

1) **Fasting** reduces our "spiritual obesity" or the excessive accumulation of fat in our soul in the form of evil tendencies and evil habits. 2) It gives us additional moral and spiritual strength and encourages us to share our blessings with the needy people. 3) Fasting also gives us more time to be with God in prayer. 4) We need to do prayerful fasting and acts of penance for our sins, following the example of Jesus before his public ministry. 5) When we fast, we are imitating the people of Nineveh and the Syrian King, Ben Hadad who fasted pleading for God's mercy and forgiveness, and Queen Esther who fasted for her people.

Acts of penance during Lent a) remove the weakness left by sin in our souls and give us more self-control, b) pay the temporary debt caused by sin, and c) make our prayers more fruitful. Besides, it is Jesus' teaching: "If any one wishes to follow me, let him deny himself, take up his cross and follow me."

Prayer is always necessary because God has commanded it, and because, without it, we do not receive the graces necessary to persevere to the end. "It is necessary for adults as a means of salvation; that is to say, that a person who does not pray, and neglects to ask of God the help requisite for overcoming temptations, and for preserving grace already received, cannot be saved." (St. Alphonsus – CCC 2744). In essence, prayer is talking to God and listening to Him. Jesus gives us the model of penitential prayer by his forty days in the desert in preparation for his public life. Prayer during the Lent, 1. Unites us to God; 2. Makes us heavenly minded; 3. Strengthens us against evil; 4. Gives us zeal and energy for good; 5. Comforts us in adversity; and 6. Obtains help for us in time of need, and the grace of perseverance unto death.

IMPORTANT GUIDELINES FOR ALL CATHOLICS

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by everyone 18 years and older, who has not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, enough to maintain strength, may be taken, according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but consuming liquids, including milk and juices, is allowed. Abstinence is observed by everyone 14 years of age or older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or the ability to work is affected, the law does not apply. **Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays during Lent, and Good Friday are days of abstinence.** If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons, other suitable forms of self-denial are encouraged.

Knights of Columbus – Council 12195

Grand Knight, Steve Roth



NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, March 3

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY OF THE MONTH:
CONGRATULATIONS goes to T.C. & Paula Chappelle
for service to better our council, parish, school and
community.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

February 14th – 20th

Zena Ashton, Sophie Kasserman, Mark Kerwood, Ellen Shaffer, Hayden Stillion, Douglas Costain, Robin Dierkes, Elliott Grisell, Sally Sechrest, Charlee Thiele, Mare Wiethe, Thomas Myers, Brian Rohmann, Chris Ducci, Shannon Gompers, Mason Schmitt, Natalie White, Nikki Block, Shirley Carter, and Nathan Weaver



Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus

President: Adele Wilson, **Vice President:** Caroll Mazure,
Treasurer: Marlene McGovern **Secretary:** Sue Burns

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, February 26th at
6:00 pm in the Battaglino Hall

The Knights of Columbus will once again be passing out Baby Bottles at Lent to benefit the Gabriel Project! Knights will be at all Masses the weekend of **March 21-22** passing out bottles to be returned by Palm Sunday Masses March 28-29.

The bottles are to be filled with donations, loose change, check (payable to Knights of Columbus). All the proceeds from this collection are donated to The Gabriel Project which provides all necessary support for mothers in need, including pregnant mothers. Your cooperation with this project would be greatly appreciated.



Baptism

February 8, 2026



*Lord, surround these children with goodness.
Lead them in Your light each day. Protect them as they grow.*

2026 Confirmation!



Confirmation will be held on **Monday, April 13th**. Rehearsal will be **Sunday, April 12th** after the 10:30 am Mass.
Please turn in your saint name, service sheet, and sponsor form now.

Pastoral Visits, Holy Communion, and Home Blessings

If you are homebound, or if you know someone who is unable to come to church, please know that you are remembered and cared for by our parish family. Through our Homebound Ministry, trained and compassionate volunteers regularly visit homebound parishioners and bring them Holy Communion. You may contact the parish office to arrange these visits.

If you would like a personal visit from Fr. George, or if you wish to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Fr. George will be happy to come. Please contact the parish office, and we will be glad to make the arrangements.

Fr. George is also available to bless your home. A house blessing is a beautiful way to invite God's grace and peace into your home and offers an opportunity for Fr. George to get to know parishioners better. If you would like to schedule a home blessing, please contact the parish office.

Knights of Columbus Annual Seminarian Support Raffle

Tickets are available at the back of the church. All proceeds support the diocesan seminarians.



1st Prize: \$1,000
2nd Prize: \$500
3rd Prize: 3 winners of \$100

Tickets are \$5 each. Place your stub and donation in an envelope addressed to the Knights of Columbus and return it in the collection basket. Thank you for your generosity.

Little Black Book 2026

Can you find six minutes of quiet time every day in the season of Lent? You will be glad you did! Books will be available in the back of church. Pick one and enjoy six-minute meditations on the Passion according to Matthew. Enjoy Lent!



GIVE BLOOD



SAVE LIFE

Tuesday, March 3, 2026
12:30-5:30 pm in the Battaglino Hall at Our Lady of Peace. Save time at donation site; pre-register online on day of the blood drive at this website:

FAITH FORMATION

Coordinator: Meredith Wycherley

mywychy@gmail.com

(304) 215-4807



Check the BAND App for Schedule!

PK-1; Gr. 2 (1st COMMUNION); GR. 3-6
Sundays, 9:20-10:20am - Meet in Parish Office
Teachers: Kait, Ashby, Stephanie, Meredith

Gr. 7/8 (CONFIRMATION CLASS)
Saturdays at 4pm - Meet in Battaglino Hall
Teachers: Lori and Jill

Our Lady of Peace Parish Invites you to find rest and restoration at our **Lenten Healing Retreat**

Saturday, March 7
9:00 AM - 12:00PM

Step away from the noise of the world and open your heart to a morning of grace, peace, and prayer.



We welcome Rev. Sunil Thomas

Former Director of the St. Vincentian Retreat Center, New Jersey
As he leads in

Lenten Retreat and Talk Eucharistic Adoration
Benediction Anointing of the Sick

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

We look forward to sharing this morning of healing with you.

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via email & text



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Prayer Ministry (Request Prayer)



Bonnie: jake065@comcast.net or call 304-639-4996 Parish Office
parish@olpww.org or call 304-242-6579

Please Remember in Prayer Infirm and Shut-ins, the Sick of our Parish

Continuous Care: Carla Ueltsch Good Shepherd: Karen Simons, Julie Stocking
Joseph Bechtel Welty Home: Sally Kleeh

Tax Information You May Want to Know:

Donations made to the church may entitle you to a contribution deduction against your income tax if you itemize deductions. The actual cost of the donation is reduced by your tax savings. 2025 Tax Statements are available. Please call the parish office 304-242-6579. They can be mailed, emailed, picked up at the office. Thank you for your continual generosity.



Our Lady of Peace School 25-26

School News!

304-242-1383
info@olpschool.org



February

- o 16 President's Day- No School
- o 16-18 7-8 Boys and Girls Tourney at St. Mikes
- o 18 Ash Wednesday/Fish Fry - 8:30 am School Mass
- o 19 Grade 2 First Reconciliation
 - Midterms Sent
 - Diocesan Social Studies Faith @ CCHS
- o 19-25 WPL 5&6 Boys Basketball Tournament at OLP
- o 27 K-Screening - No K classes

OLP Ladies Auxiliary Easter Bake Good Fundraiser!

Touch of Amish Baked Goods Fundraiser

For more information, see flyers on our Community Board in back of Church

The Cathedral of St. Joseph Important Announcement: Due to renovations, beginning Monday February 2, 2026, the 12:05 daily Mass (M-F) will be celebrated at St. Alphonsus Parish. This will include 11:00 am Confessions

Beginning February 7, the 9:00 am Mass and 11:00 am confessions will be at St. Alphonsus Parish.

Saturday 6:00 pm, Sunday 7:30 am and 10:30 am Masses will continue at the Cathedral of St. Joseph.

2026 MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT: This event will take place on February 13 - 15 at Priestfield Pastoral Center

2026 TOGETHER IN FAITH: WHEELING VICARIATE - Two ways to join the group; have current member invite someone or search "Wheeling Vicariate Together in Faith" and we will approve membership

Women's Retreat, "Finding God in the Everyday" - This retreat will take place at St. John XXIII Pastoral Center in Charleston, WV from March 20 - 22, 2026.

ROSARIES FOR VOCATIONS IN WEST VIRGINIA - May 2025 and extending a full year to May 2026.

Encounter God in the Mountains - Register to attend Camp Carlo's Catholic Youth Adventure Camp running from June 28th - July 4th

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COMMUNION is relationship with GOD.

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