

## October Birthdays

Annette McCabe (01)  
 Julia Hounsell (04)  
 Gary Conner (06)  
 John Hampton (14)  
 Jose' Edwin Alvarado Mendoza (21)  
 Ray Moyer (230)  
 Elizabeth Lecco (28)  
 Anna Ellrich (28)  
 Lynn Goss (29)  
 Karam Afram (30)

## October Anniversaries

Rob & Virginia Jackon (14)  
 Glenn & Kathy Moore (28)  
 Phil & Kari Hampton (31)

Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Bonnie Toth at: [bonnie3871@gmail.com](mailto:bonnie3871@gmail.com).

Dylan Anderson	Elizabeth Gillam	Beverly Moyer	Jim Tew
Robert Berry	Lorraine Brennen Gilliam	Chris Moyer	Fred Toth
Patricia Bonnewitz	Lynn Goss	Ray Moyer	Amy Tracy
Millie Budney	Kathleen Hamilton	Don Notestein	Charles Watson
Michael Burke	Jeanne Harper	Patsy Notestein	Danielle Weedon
Sandra Burke	Holly Hewitt	Angel Ortiz	Laura Williams
Julie Byron	Jeannine Iannaco	George Perry	Louise Williams
Toni Capute	Pablo Ignacio	Gary Peters	Michael Williams
Deacon John Carey	Patrick Ignacio	Laurie Peters	Travis Williams
Riordan Cavoris	Meja Irvin	Frank Powell	Betty Jo Wolfram
Jim Croushorn	Leslie Jarrett	Nelson Sanchez	
Justin Curtis	Marge Lent	Princess Sanchez	
Carol Donato	Paul Lent	John Seaquist	
Islea Duncan	Carolyn Martin	Ray Servis	
John Evans	Kimberly Martin	Jane Sliwinski	
Jack Fisher	Greg Moore	Margaret Smith	
Linda Gardner	Kathleen Moore	Chere Tew	

### The Financial Corner

Collections for September 22: \$810. Attendees: 72  
 E-giving for August: \$2570.00

Have you considered E-giving? It's safe and convenient. You can sign up on our website: [www.olpcatholicchurch.org](http://www.olpcatholicchurch.org) or scan the QR Code to the right. You may sign up for recurring donations or make a one-time gift.

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# Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



**September 29, 2024**  
**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**Holy Eucharist**  
**Sunday 8:30 AM; Tuesday 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM**  
**Thursday 12:15 PM**

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## A PASTORAL MOMENT WITH FR. JIM

So the ego battle between the disciples who follow the Lord God continues. In the Gospel last week, the disciples of Jesus were arguing about who was the greatest. This was right after Jesus announced he would be laying down his life for them. Irony!

This week in Numbers 11:25-39, Joshua and Nun complained to Moses that two people named Eldad and Medad were prophesying even though these latter two were not part of the inner group. There was jealousy because the spirit (Holy Spirit) had been bestowed in Eldad and Medad. Joshua and Nun were angry because they had no control over where the Holy Spirit landed.

In the Gospel, Mark 9:38-48), the disciples complained to Jesus because again, those who were not in the inner circle were doing great things. They were driving out demons. But Jesus tells us: "For whoever is not against us is for us." Some Roman Catholics also can get pumped up and declare: "We have the real presence of Christ and other Christians do not!"

I want to take a lesson from Pope Frances and build bridges rather than fences. Have we ever stopped to think that other Christians (Protestants) also have the presence of Christ in their churches? Am I bold enough to tell Jesus where he can and cannot go? So let us attempt to make a list about how Jesus is present to the Roman Catholic and others.

First, there is memory. When we remember Jesus, he is present. We call it "anamnesis." As we break bread, we break memory. All Christians remember Jesus. He is there. Second, Christ is present in the Word. When we proclaim the Scriptures, he is there. After one does a scripture reading, he or she says: "The Word of the Lord" and looks at the people. God's word has become part of those gathered at church. All Christians proclaim the word on Sunday. He is there. Third, Jesus says: "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am present in their midst." That means fellowship. Even before we start praying, Christ is there as folks gather and welcome on another. The Protestants and other Christians were doing fellowship long before Roman Catholics after the Second Vatican Council. Christ was and is present. Fourth: The Lord's Supper. Christ is present in the breaking of the bread. We have different interpretations on this, but nevertheless, he is there. Remember that when we remember him, he comes to be with us. Fifth: The Holy Spirit. The Spirit moves and we do not have any control how SHE moves whether our names be James, John, Peter or Eldad and Medad

Let us celebrate what we have in common rather than complain about what divides us.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

**Parish Pastoral Council:** "...We are called to serve one another and walk humbly with God." With great respect for lay leadership, you might be called to guide our parish by serving on our Parish Pastoral Council. Please consider it as we need your support. There are several openings available in the new year: a liaison to St. Victoria, liaison to Justice & Peace [Pregnancy Center/Mac's Kitchen/Grief Workshop], and Council Secretary just to name a few.

**Mac's Kitchen:** Mac's Kitchen is always in need of the following for their boxes: Mac and Cheeses; canned fruit, canned corn, canned green beans, canned tuna, spaghetti noodles, spaghetti sauce, cereal, elbow noodles. Thank you for your continued support to this ministry!

**Justice & Peace Update:** It's time for **Kairos Cookies** again. Eileen Brennen will be volunteering in the upcoming Kairos Ministry [Prison Ministry] Weekend and is asking for cookies no later than October 27th. Note that Eileen is asking for only 1-2 dozen from each volunteer baker.



The key ingredient is **PRAYER**. Pray over the cookies as you drop them onto the cookie sheets and bake them. Ask God to use your cookies as a source of His love to shine on the prisoners and staff of the Kairos Weekend. Pray that each cookie brings the inmate, officer or warden who eats it is closer to God. We want every person to become part of the family of God. Prison guidelines are: Cookies should be between 2 and 2 1/2 inches in diameter and not more than 1/2 inch thick. It is very important not to use icing, sugar or any other type of coating on the outside of the cookie. Do not add any kind of fruit or nuts to the cookies. Place 1 dozen cookies in a quart sized zip lock bag. Label the bag. Favorites are peanut butter, oatmeal, chocolate chip, molasses and sugar cookies. For more information, please visit: <https://www.kairosva.org/bake-cookies>. They also have a list of recipe's that can be downloaded. (There are a few copies on the Liturgy Table in the commons.)

**Fund Raising Meeting:** Given the shortfall on our making ends meet, some energetic and inspiring parishioners are holding a meeting at OLP on **Saturday, October 26th at 10:30 am**. Some ideas presented were making a quit to raffle, holding a rummage sale in town (great location) and a St. Patrick's day Dinner in March 2025. Please come and bring your ideas.