

Youth Happenings

Peaceful Transitions

Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 13th

Youth Mass

7 PM

Sunday, June 27th

Youth Mass

7 PM

Blessing of Graduates

Sunday, July 11th

Youth Mass

7 PM

Sunday, July 25th

Youth Mass

7 PM

Sunday, August 8th

Youth Mass

7 PM

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This June, we celebrate many transitions in all of our lives. Some are graduating high school, middle school or college. Others are moving on to retirement or changes in locations of church leadership. The one constant in all of this is that God is with us for all of our transitions. The key is to be ever vigilant in our awareness of God's presence.

Our own pastor Msgr. Ryan is retiring. I have had the privilege of ministering with Msgr. Ryan for the past ten years. We have traveled many roads together, literally as well as physically, from World Youth Day in Toronto to our mission in Nicaragua. But the greatest road I have traveled with him is the trip from my head to my heart.

In Marcus Borg's book, Meeting Jesus again for the First Time, he sums up Jesus in a truly great word, **empathetic**, having the ability to feel for another person like a mother feels a child in her womb. In my journey with Msgr. Ryan that is the word I would use to describe him. I have witnessed his empathy for the past ten years in his ministry and as one of his employees. He has heard the cry of the poor both locally and abroad and has ministered to them beautifully. I believe that he has been a model for me and our youth community as well as the entire parish. May Msgr. Ryan's transition be filled with God's peace.

Many thanks to OLQM's other retirees, Marge Dritto and Marilyn Borghard. They have educated our youth and provided services to the less fortunate in our community. May their transitions also be filled with peace.

Our last transition will be the arrival of our new pastor, Msgr. Richard Bauhoff, who begins as pastor here at the end of June. We look forward to ministering with him and hope that his transition from Our Lady of Peace in Carle Place to Our Lady Queen of Martyrs here in Centerport will be a transition filled with peace.

To the youth of our parish who are graduating from High School, may you continually feel God's presence in your lives and may you always walk in the way of peace.

In Peace,

Chris