

Our Lady Queen of Peace

Coming together in Christ

2006

- **Our Lady Queen of Peace is established on October 29.**
- **Bishop Lennon celebrates the Establishment Mass at the Midview High School gymnasium.**



Families in the Parish: 873

Baptisms: 22

First Communions: 46

Confirmations: 11

Marriages: 6

Deaths: 23

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2007

- **Greeter Ministry Forms.**
- **Elm Street Property is put up for sale.**
- **Welcoming Committee forms.**
- **Fr. John celebrates 20 years of Priesthood.**
- **1st Families arrive for Family Promise.**
- **Capital Campaign pledges total \$902,461.**
- **Helping Hands Ministry forms from the old St. Vincent DePaul Society.**



Families in the Parish: 860

Baptisms: 24 (2yr: 46)

First Communions: 28 (2yr: 74)

Confirmations: 32 (2yr: 43)

Marriages: 10 (2yr: 16)

Deaths: 20 (2yr: 43)

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2008

- **Capital Campaign pledges total \$500,000.**
- **1st Reverse Raffle is held.**
- **Gift card program launches.**
- **Parish Website debuts.**
- **Generations of Faith program begins.**
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry forms.**
- **1st Lady's Guild Rummage Sale is held.**
- **Ziska is approved as architect for new church.**
- **Skills Bank formed.**



Families in the Parish: 890

Baptisms: 27 (3yr: 73)

First Communions: 24 (3yr: 98)

Confirmations: 40 (3yr: 83)

Marriages: 9 (3yr: 25)

Deaths: 25 (3yr: 68)

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2009

- **John G. Johnson is selected as General Contractor for the new church.**
- **GLFF is introduced.**
- **Social Committee forms.**
- **Groundbreaking for the new church is held on April 18, 2009.**
- **All daily Masses move to the Chapel.**
- **Sr. Kathleen Knechtges, SND celebrates her 50th anniversary.**
- **Signing of the beam of the new church takes place.**



Families in the Parish: 914

Baptisms: 21 (4yr: 94)

First Communions: 21 (4yr: 119)

Confirmations: 20 (4yr: 103)

Marriages: 17 (4yr: 42)

Deaths: 15 (4yr: 83)

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2010

- **Lady's Guild Spaghetti Dinner debuts.**
- **Crucifix, Statue of Mary, stained glass windows, stations figures and altar are removed from Assumption for installation in the new church.**
- **The last Masses at Assumption and last Sunday Masses in the Chapel are held on April 18th.**
- **New Church is dedicated on April 23rd.**
- **First Masses in the new church are held on April 25th.**
- **Altar is dedicated on May 27th.**
- **Parish Festival Committee forms.**
- **Fr. John wins the Right Tracks award.**



Families in the Parish: 940

Baptisms: 33 (5yr: 127)

First Communions: 40 (5yr: 159)

Confirmations: 28 (5yr: 131)

Marriages: 10 (5yr: 52)

Deaths: 28 (5yr: 111)

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2011

- **Capital Campaign wraps up.**
- **Parish Office moves to Erie Street.**
- **Cutting Garden is established.**
- **Church is featured in “Properties” magazine.**
- **Common Leadership holds its first meeting.**
- **1st Parish Festival is held.**
- **Couples Ministry forms.**
- **Additional pews are installed in the church.**



Families in the Parish: 955

Baptisms: 31 (6yr: 158)

First Communions: 25 (6yr: 184)

Confirmations: 28 (6yr: 159)

Marriages: 10 (6yr: 62)

Deaths: 30 (6yr: 141)

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2012

- **Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry debuts.**
- **Memorial Book is placed in the Church.**
- **Helping Hands Community Dinner starts.**
- **Helping Hands Back Pack program kicks off.**
- **Choir performs at the 1st Annual Christmas Concert**



Families in the Parish: 982

Baptisms: 35 (7yr: 193)

First Communions: 31 (7yr: 215)

Confirmations: 21 (7yr: 180)

Marriages: 11 (7yr: 73)

Deaths: 28 (7yr: 169)

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2013

- **Scholarship Fund is created.**
- **Helping Hands holds special dinners for Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas.**



Families in the Parish: 1043

Baptisms: 26 (8yr: 219)

First Communions: 26 (8yr: 241)

Confirmations: 38 (8yr: 218)

Marriages: 10 (8yr: 83)

Deaths: 32 (8yr: 201)

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2014

- **Technology grant is received for Parish Hall.**
- **Assumption Church, Hall and Rectory are sold.**
- **Rte. 57 project begins.**
- **1st annual “Ladies Night Out” is launched.**
- **Parish Hall renovation is completed.**
- **Church wins 2014 Lorain County Beautiful Award for landscaping.**



Families in the Parish: 1087

Baptisms: 27 (9yr: 246)

First Communions: 25 (9yr: 266)

Confirmations: 22 (9yr: 240)

Marriages: 13 (9yr: 96)

Deaths: 27 (9yr: 228)

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2015

- **Lorain County Compassionate Friends is established.**
- **1st Living Rosary is held to celebrate Our Lady Queen of Peace's anniversary.**
- **Parking Lot is expanded.**
- **Pope Francis proclaims, "Year of Mercy".**



Families in the Parish: 1053

Baptisms: 18 (10yr: 264)

First Communions: 30 (10yr: 296)

Confirmations: 24 (10yr: 264)

Marriages: 13 (10yr: 109)

Deaths: 21 (10yr: 249)

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2016

- **A 2nd grant is received for the Faith Formation program.**
- **New updated website is launched.**
- **Our Lady Queen of Peace celebrates its 10th Anniversary with Bishop Gries presiding.**
- **Bishop Lennon retires.**



Families in the Parish: 1037

Baptisms: 34 (11yr: 298)

First Communions: 31 (11yr: 327)

Confirmations: 29 (11yr: 293)

Marriages: 16 (11yr: 125)

Deaths: 30 (11yr: 279)

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2017

- **Sister Kathleen Knechtges, SND retires.**
- **Grafton celebrates its Bicentennial.**
- **All churches in Grafton celebrate with an Open House.**
- **Bishop Perez is installed as 11th Bishop of the Diocese of Cleveland.**
- **1st Annual Butterfly release is held.**
- **1st Night at the Races is held.**
- **School Ties Ministry forms.**
- **St. Elizabeth Center in Lorain opens.**
- **Women of Faith Ministry forms.**
- **Parish participates in 1st annual #WeGiveCatholic Giving Tuesday.**



Families in the Parish: 1056

Baptisms: 21 (12yr: 319)

First Communions: 17 (12yr: 344)

Confirmations: 14 (12yr: 307)

Marriages: 11 (12yr: 136)

Deaths: 29 (12yr: 308)

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2018

- **1st Annual Baptism “Reunion Mass” is held.**
- **Family Masses begin.**
- **Fr. John celebrates 30 years of priesthood & 15 years as our Pastor.**
- **Sunday Gospel Reflection Ministry forms.**
- **Joyful Disciples Ministry forms.**



Families in the Parish: 1065

Baptisms: 19 (13yr: 338)

First Communions: 30 (13yr: 374)

Confirmations: 22 (13yr: 329)

Marriages: 7 (13yr: 143)

Deaths: 39 (13yr: 347)

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2019

- **1st Tim Tebow “Night to Shine” event is held.**
- **Family Promise of Lorain County is dissolved.**
- **“FORMED” is introduced to the parish.**
- **Online E-Giving platform is launched.**
- **Our Lady’s Gardeners Ministry forms.**



Families in the Parish: 1074

Baptisms: 20 (14yr: 358)

First Communions: 0 (14yr: 374)

Confirmations: 0 (14yr: 329)

Marriages: 4 (14yr: 147)

Deaths: 34 (14yr: 381)

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2020

- **Calendar Club begins.**
- **March 22nd - COVID closes all churches in the diocese.**
- **April 26th - First Live Stream of Mass is broadcast.**
- **May 25th - churches in the diocese reopen for Mass under CDC guidelines.**
- **Bishop Malesic is installed as the 12th Bishop of the Diocese of Cleveland.**



Families in the Parish: 1076

Baptisms: 37 (15yr: 378)

First Communions: 38 (15yr: 412)

Confirmations: 48 (15yr: 377)

Marriages: 3 (15yr: 150)

Deaths: 46 (15yr: 427)

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2021

- **Ministries & GLFF resume after COVID restrictions are lifted.**
- **Parish participates in Disciple Maker Index Survey.**
- **Parish Festival Returns as a one-day event.**
- **Building Committee forms to assess current & future needs of parish facilities.**
- **“Flocknote” is rolled out to the parish as a communication tool.**
- **Parish Capital Campaign Study begins.**



Families in the Parish: 1082

* Baptisms: 3 (16yr: 381)

* First Communions: 6 (16yr: 418)

Confirmations: included in 2020

* Marriages: 1 (16yr: 151)

* Deaths: 12 (16yr: 439)

** From fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021*

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The Future

- **Implementation of facilities assessment by Building Committee.**
- **Expansion of current programs with increased engagement by all parishioners.**
- **New ministries created to meet the spiritual needs of our parishioners and the local community.**

